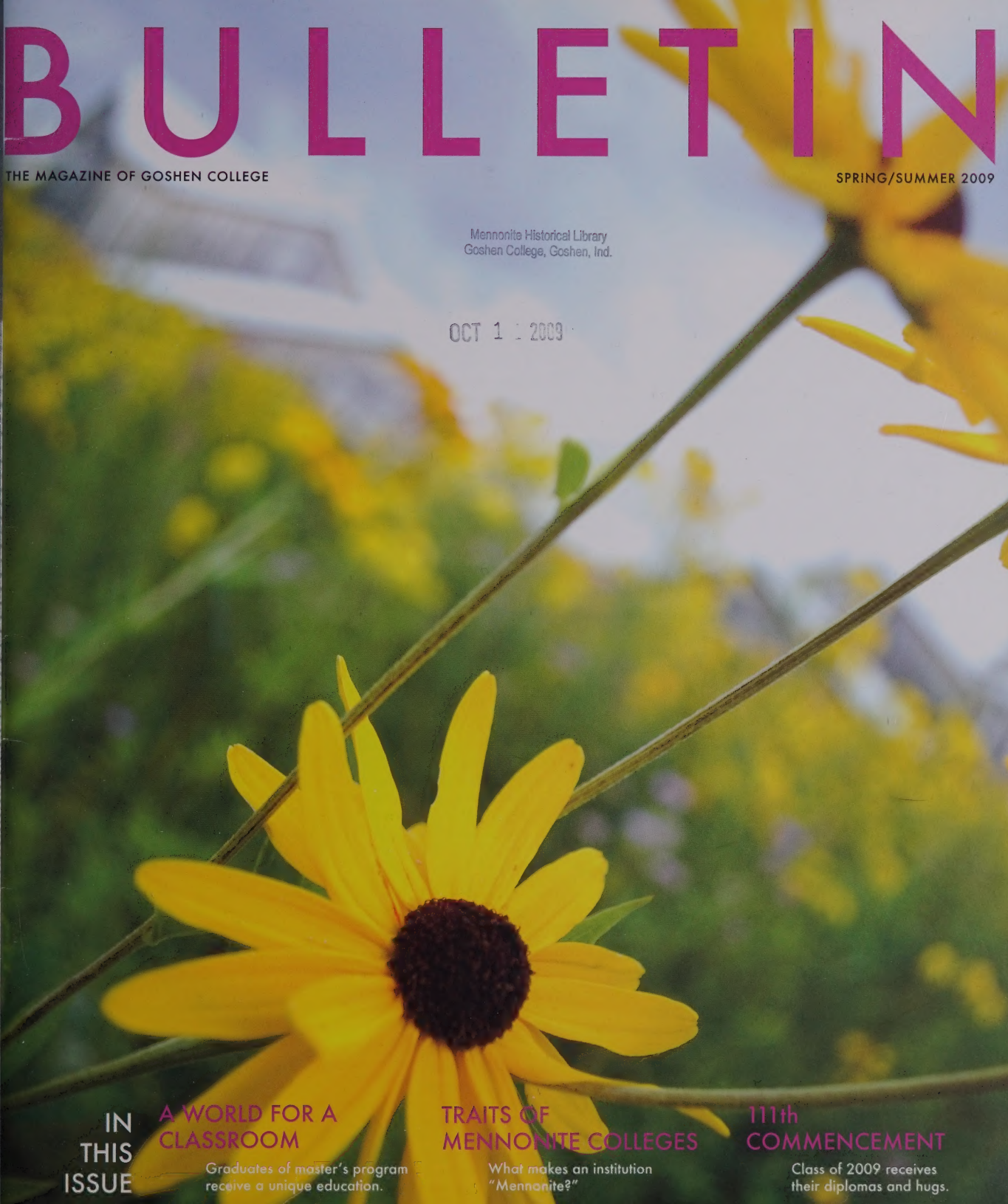
BULLETIN

THE MAGAZINE OF GOSHEN COLLEGE

SPRING/SUMMER 2009

Mennonite Historical Library
Goshen College, Goshen, Ind.

OCT 1 : 2009



IN THIS ISSUE

A WORLD FOR A CLASSROOM

Graduates of master's program receive a unique education.

TRAITS OF MENNONITE COLLEGES

What makes an institution "Mennonite?"

111th COMMENCEMENT

Class of 2009 receives their diplomas and hugs.

Correspondence

I am enjoying the latest issue of the *Bulletin*, especially the articles on SST turning 40. That brings back great memories. In the fall of 1968, I came to Goshen College as an older student. Having been a teacher and a Bible college student, and then a missionary in Taiwan for six years, I was always hesitant when asked "Where are you from?" My parents still lived in British Columbia, but Taiwan felt like home. Neither answer was able to move a conversation with another student much beyond, "Oh." However, when the first SST units returned to campus in January of 1969, I began to meet students who were interested in other countries and eager to share their own experiences with other languages and cultures. Thank you, SST!

Shirley Hildebrand Hsu '69
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

I would love to be first to find Menno in the new *GC Bulletin*. ... I love reading the bright new *Bulletin* when it arrives even though I live just down the street from GC. The articles are very interesting and the photography is bright and cheerful giving an upbeat look into campus life in the new millennium. Thanks to all your staff.

Kathryn Summers Sherer '54
Goshen

Just found Menno on page 5 of your fall-winter edition. Class of 1951. It was like finding Waldo with my grand kids. You sure had him hidden on top of a radio or something in the dorm room. This keeps me busy looking for something other than the deaths. We enjoy your *Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* has come a long way since our days 58 years ago when my wife was afraid Miss Good would catch her wearing bobby socks instead of hose. Keep up the good reporting.

Jim Yoder '51
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Correspondence continued on page 47.

Send your letters of response to the *Bulletin* to gcbulletin@goshen.edu or to Goshen College *Bulletin*, 1700 S. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526.

MAKING PEACE WITH INTERNS

The Public Relations Office spent a lot of time this summer "making peace" as we launched a new way of telling the Goshen College story. Fortunately we had the creative assistance of another amazing group of student interns. First row, left to right: junior Michael Neumann (Metamora, Ill.), Web design; Sarah Jenson '09 (Everest, Kan.), video production; Lydie Assefa '09 (Indianapolis, Ind.), writing; and sophomore Julie Weirich (Goshen), writing and event organizing. Second row, left to right: sophomore Meg Kennel (Roanoke, Ill.), graphic design; junior Tim Blaum (Goshen), Web design and event organizing; and Tyler Falk '09 (Champaign, Ill.), writing. As for "making peace," you will learn more about this in the next issue of the *Bulletin*. In the meantime, check out peacebypeace.com.

ABOUT THE COVER

Photography by Jodi H. Beyeler
Rudbeckia hirta, or Black-eyed Susan, in front of Merry Lea's Rieth Village

In the opening paragraph of the feature about the master's degree in environmental education at Merry Lea (p. 14), Jennifer Schrock writes: "Environmental education is place-based learning. It teaches people to be aware of their setting: how ecosystems function biologically, how they fit within the larger landscape and how they are shaped – or misshapen – by human values."

This may also be an apt description for Mennonite higher education (p. 19) as we explore the common traits, the interconnectedness and the distinctiveness of this group of sister schools.

BULLETIN
Spring/Summer 2009
Vol. 94, No. 1

www.goshen.edu/bulletin
gcbulletin@goshen.edu

William A. Jones
Vice president for institutional advancement

Richard R. Aguirre
Editor

Jodi H. Beyeler '00
Managing editor

Rachel Campagnoli
Graphic designer

Thushan Hemachandra '05
Web design editor

Tim Blaum '10
Web design assistant

Myrna Kaufman '66
Editorial assistant

Kelli Burkholder King '77
Director of alumni, church and parent relations

Karen Sommers
Alumni office assistant

Use the envelope included in this magazine to submit notes and address changes, or send items to:

Goshen College
College Relations
1700 South Main Street
Goshen, IN 46526-4794
E-mail: alumni@goshen.edu
Web: www.goshen.edu/alumni

The Goshen College *Bulletin* (ISSN 0017-2308) is published three times yearly by Goshen College, 1700 South Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526-4794. Second-class postage is paid at Goshen, Ind., and at additional mailing offices.

Postmaster: Send address changes to Goshen College Bulletin, 1700 South Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526. Lithographed in the United States.

Be green! When you are finished reading this issue, please recycle it or pass it on to a friend.

GOSHEN COLLEGE

Let unconquerable gladness dwell amid unprecedented times

WE ARE LIVING IN unprecedented times. No doubt about that. Elkhart County, home of Goshen College, was described in *The New York Times* several months ago as "the white-hot epicenter of the economic downturn." That is not a distinction about which our county wishes to boast.

Unprecedented times call for unprecedented faith, which poses a paradox for all believers in God's divine providence. Retired Admiral James Stockdale, who endured eight years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam, said he learned while in prison that one must "never confuse faith that you will prevail in the end – which you can never afford to lose – with the discipline to confront the most brutal facts of your current reality, whatever that might be." Jim Collins, author of the book *Good to Great*, called such conviction the "Stockdale Paradox."

Long before there was the Stockdale Paradox, there was the Jesus Paradox: that ability to confront the brutal facts of reality even while tenaciously holding on to the faith that he would, you will, we will, ultimately prevail. As direct with his disciples as he was about his impending brutal death (Mark 8:31-38), Jesus offered a reality check based upon the promise of a coming resurrection. As people of faith, new hope, new possibilities, new opportunities are always potentially ready to be born again into our lives, no matter what our circumstances.

Goshen College has lived through unprecedented economic times before – some in the distant past, some more recently. Such experiences have offered unprecedented opportunities to come together, to re-imagine new and unprecedented futures for Goshen College based on a strong, faithful foundation. This past year, we have worked hard and worked together in sacrificial ways to remain among the top 13 Christian colleges and universities and in the top quartile of all colleges and universities ranked for financial stability, despite a nearly 40 percent drop in the value of our endowment.

What matters most these days at Goshen College? To use such unprecedented times, however difficult, to challenge ourselves to become far more than we have ever been. We are positioning ourselves to press further and reach higher – not to settle for anything less than the most we can achieve. We are undertaking an unprecedented realignment from top to bottom, inside and out, around our core values as they guide our curriculum transformation, student learning outcomes, hiring and tenure process, orientation of new employees and board development. Even our new unprecedented marketing efforts are bearing exciting fruit as we boldly invite prospective students to come to Goshen College – a place to study, learn and serve; a place to discover peace with God, with others and themselves; a place where "healing the world, peace by peace" is a calling, a vocation of lasting joy whatever their major or chosen profession. As you read this, we are welcoming the largest incoming class in 27 years!

I am full of gratitude for the great blessings that God has given Goshen College; indeed, blessings given to all the colleges and universities of the Mennonite church, blessings we gladly share with the church and the world. I am grateful for the many ways alumni, donors, students, faculty, staff live out the Jesus Paradox of confronting reality in all its challenges, yet refusing to have it confine your hopes, your generosity, your vision for a more flourishing future.

In the post-Depression years, on the wall of President Franklin Roosevelt's Oval Office, a motto in seeming paradox to the times read: "Let unconquerable gladness dwell." Such a slogan without context might have sounded like another Pollyannaish political cliché. However, the line is set within a prayer from the Episcopal Prayer book which invites a depth of faith, hope and conviction that remains truly prayer-worthy for each of us today:

"O God, Author of the world's joy, Bearer of the world's pain; At the heart of all our trouble and sorrow let unconquerable gladness dwell; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen."

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin to hear a podcast of President Brenneman reading his column.

Jim Brenneman

Dr. James E. Brenneman
President of Goshen College

BULLETIN

SPRING/SUMMER 2009

Inside Front Cover Correspondence

1 What Matters Most ...

5 Campus News

11 Athletics

12 Commencement

32 Fine Arts/Scholarship

34 Alumni Crossings

35 Journeys: Alumni News

49 Investing in Culture for Service

50 Events Calendar

52 Lasting Ties

Inside Back Cover Maple Moment

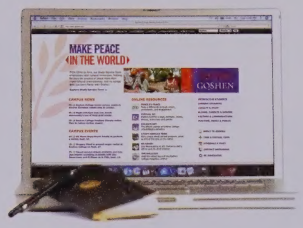
A sunbeam shines down on the beginning of the 2009-10 academic year as the "Tunnel of Welcome" or "Applause Avenue" forms following the fall opening convocation on Sept. 2 when President Jim Brenneman spoke about "Healing the World, Peace by Peace" (there will be a lot more about that in the next issue of the *Bulletin*). In what has become a nine-year tradition, faculty, staff and students walked past their peers for sustained applause, and then joined and extended the lines to the middle of campus for seniors, juniors, sophomores and first-year students to pass by. Goshen's first-year class of 238 students is the largest for the college in 27 years. That's something to applaud!

14 THE FIRST MASTERS HAVE A WORLD FOR A CLASSROOM
The landscape, hands-on experiences and space for faith in Merry Lea's master's program in environmental education set it apart.

19 TWELVE TRAITS OF MENNONITE COLLEGES
Explore what makes Mennonite higher education distinctive and valuable, who has benefitted from it, and why it remains relevant to today's student.

52 'EVERY STITCH A LINK OF STRENGTH'
During prior hard economic times, an entrepreneurial spirit inspired the creation of the Maple City Shirt Company on campus.

JODI H. BEYELER



Finding common ground across campuses

WHAT'S DISTINCTIVE about Mennonite higher education? Graduates of Goshen College, Bethel College, Bluffton University, Eastern Mennonite University, Hesston College, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Eastern Mennonite Seminary answer that question in "12 Traits of Mennonite Colleges," the main story in this issue of the *Bulletin*. The story was conceived and produced for *Crossroads*, EMU's alumni magazine. How did it end up in the *Bulletin*? Because of camaraderie and generosity.

Last October, I attended the annual gathering of the Anabaptist Communicators with my colleague Jodi Beyeler in Wichita, Kan. We learned about the Anabaptist "market," improving Web sites, the value of "branding" institutions and social networking. For me, the highlight was networking with colleagues who share a passion for promoting Mennonite institutions.

Among those I met was Andrea S. Wenger, director of marketing and communications at Eastern Mennonite University. While I'd heard a lot about the rivalries between EMU and Goshen, particularly around athletics and student recruitment, I felt a quick kinship with Andrea because of her openness and graciousness. Job wise, we had a lot in common and we talked openly about our joys and challenges. Our conversation went so well that I proposed we continue our discussions, perhaps with colleagues from other Mennonite colleges. When I mentioned that it had been 24 years since I'd last visited EMU, Andrea invited me to her beautiful campus.

In February, Jodi and I traveled to Harrisonburg and met with Andrea and her talented staff. Rachel Nussbaum Eby, director of communications for the Mennonite Education Agency, also joined us. We talked about our work and our ups and downs. We learned that EMU does some things better than Goshen and vice versa. We also talked with Rachel about ways the colleges together can advance our institutions and Mennonite higher education.

The person most passionate about that subject was Bonnie Price Lofton, publications editor for EMU, who proposed working together to increase the number of Mennonite students attending Mennonite colleges. Not long afterward, Bonnie and Andrea conceived an ambitious reporting project, which eventually became "12 Traits of Mennonite Colleges." Bonnie and Jon Styer, EMU's photographer and graphic designer, visited all the Mennonite colleges and seminaries to interview people for the story. When they finished, their stories and photos were published in *Crossroads*.

Because of a deep sense that this story needed a wider audience and a deep passion for what Mennonite higher education offers the church and the world, EMU also offered the stories to the *Bulletin*. We gratefully accepted this generous gift. Bonnie and Jon did a beautiful job with words and images to tell this story and we are thankful to be able to share part of it with our readers.

Under Rachel's leadership, representatives of the colleges gathered in July for dinner at the Mennonite Church USA convention in Columbus. Although we compete for a limited pool of Mennonite students, we agreed to collaborate on marketing issues, starting with quarterly conference calls.

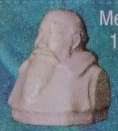
Recently, we shared successful communication and branding strategies. If we began the call with any pre-conceptions or rivalries, we promptly set them aside and spoke as colleagues. We exchanged advice about marketing and advertising. We also agreed to keep talking.

I consider this proof of the Holy Spirit at work because I believe that as we collaborate and help our colleges to thrive, we Anabaptist communicators also will be supporting the church's mission of bringing Christ's healing, peace and hope to the world. Whether we are Maple Leafs, Royals, Beavers, Threshers or Larks, we have much in common and much we can learn from one another.

Richard R. Aguirre

Director of Public Relations
rraguirre@goshen.edu

FIND MENNO



Menno goes to a Mennonite college! We heard from a record 160 of you who correctly found Menno in the Fall/Winter 2008 issue on page 5, perched on a bed, watching new students move into their room in Yoder Hall.

It may be a bit more difficult to find Menno this time, but we hope you too can find where Menno is hiding (he looks just like the graphic at the left, just a little smaller). When you find him, submit your entry to gcbulletin@goshen.edu by Nov. 2, 2009. Be sure to include your name, hometown and graduation year/affiliation with Goshen College.

From the correct submissions, we chose at random five lucky winners to receive limited-edition Bulletin T-shirts:

June Hershberger, Akron, Pa., parent of Vanessa Hershberger '10
Elia Larson Krisetya, 9-year-old son of Matius Larson Krisetya '93 and Karin Larson Krisetya '95, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
Jan Roth '72, Noblesville, Ind.
Dave Treber '86, Frostburg, Md.
Jessilyn Blocher Troyer '96, Sturgis, Mich.

Editor's note: The origins of the ceramic Menno Simons' sculpture featured in these pages, which resides permanently in the Mennonite Historical Library on campus, recently came to our attention. Jim Harnish, of Tiskilwa, Ill., wrote that he did the casting of this version of Menno Simons while a student at Bluffton University (then college), and it was adopted from John P. Klassen's marble sculpture, which resides in Bluffton's library. He wrote, "It's a privilege to have Menno as an Anabaptist forbearer." Thank you Jim!

Virtual GC: Feel like you are on campus

GC HOME ABOUT GC ADMISSION ACADEMICS CAMPUS LIFE STUDY ABROAD ATHLETICS OFFICES & SERVICES NEWS & EVENTS SEARCH
GOSHEN COLLEGE
virtual gc
HOME BLOGS GAMES PODCASTS PHOTOS VIDEOS CAMPUS TOUR WALLPAPER
Latest Blog Updates from Campus
Welcome to Peru
September 2, 2009 - from Peru Study-Service Term - Fall '09
The Fall Peru SST group arrived ahead of schedule early this morning. We got settled right... [read more]
Another Summer Has Flown By...
August 26, 2009 - from Jenna's Blog
I'm headed back to Goshen tomorrow already! Wow! I can't believe the summer is already over!... [read more]
Hello Senior Year!
August 15, 2009 - from Tim's Blog
Welcome back to school everyone! Well, not everyone is back yet. Some of us still have a week... [read more]
Flash Game - Acorn Dash!
GC Wallpaper
Virtual Tour
Latest Videos
Orientation 2009: Merry Lea Retreat & Purple Passion Party
Aug 30, 2009
Watch this video
2009 Applause Tunnel
Sep 2, 2009
Watch this video
Making Peace at Fall Faculty/Staff Retreat
Watch this video
» ALL VIDEOS
Latest Podcasts
"God's Peace Academy" by President James E. Brenneman at the all employee fall retreat.
Fri, Aug 21, 2009.
Chapel: Summer Sendings/Blessings, led by Inquiry Program students
Fri, May 15, 2009.
Chapel: "Easter Peace," by Bishop John D'Arcy
Fri, May 08, 2009.
Convocation: Senior Statements by Bethany Loberg, Jesse Shaver & Abri Houser
Mon, May 04, 2009.
Chapel: Senior Faith Journeys by Lydie Assefa, Bryce Bow
» ALL PODCASTS
Latest Photo Albums
Fall Opening Convocation and Welcome Tunnel
September 2, 2009
Orientation Weekend 2009: Purple Passion Party
August 30, 2009
Orientation Weekend 2009: First-year students at Merry Lea
August 30, 2009
» ALL PHOTO ALBUMS
Goshen College 1700 South Main Street, Goshen, Indiana 46526 • Toll free: 1 (800) 348-7422 • Local: (574) 535-7000 • E-mail: info@goshen.edu
Privacy, copyright and general use policy. Send feedback to Web team
Follow us on:

For alumni living around the world, the opportunity to visit campus every day is now more possible than ever. The college's Web presence expanded this spring when Virtual GC got a makeover at **www.goshen.edu/virtualgc.**

View photo albums and videos from campus events. Read blogs about students' experiences on campus and abroad. Set your computer desktop to feature Goshen wallpaper. Take a virtual tour of campus and your favorite spots. Play a student-created game that includes squirrels, the Broken Shield and Schrock Plaza (be aware, it can be addictive!).

And finally, listen to podcasts from chapels, convocations and special lectures (sign up for the feed so none are missed). Some highlights from 2008-09 to look for in the archives: Professor of History Steve Nolt's lecture on the current state of the Amish, guest speaker Rev. Dr. Brenda Salter McNeil's sermons about racial healing, Bill McKibben's public lecture on climate change and President Brenneman's faith story.

Librarians help make peace archives available online

With the help of Goshen College librarians, peace is now available around the world – at least in the form of online documents related to peace studies.

In collaboration with the other two historic peace church colleges in Indiana – Earlham and Manchester – GC has unveiled the Plowshares Digital Archive for Peace Studies, available at: **replica.palni.edu/plowshares/**.

The expansive digital collection of peace resources, which covers a period of about 300 years, contains 32,000 pages of material in different formats such as diaries, minutes, books, journals, questionnaires, newsletters, newspapers and essays. It also covers a broad range of peace topics, including draft resistance, slavery, race relations during and after the civil rights movement, student activities and European peace conferences.

"I think this is the first digitization project of this nature and scope – peace-related archival documents pertaining to Brethren, Mennonites and Quakers," said Anne Meyer Byler, who worked on the project and is reference and instruction librarian at the Good Library.

Items unique to Goshen's collection include correspondence and questionnaires related to Mennonites in military camps during World War I, Civilian Public Service camp newsletters during World War II, diaries and committee papers from work in Vietnam during the war and documents from peace church conferences in Europe during the 1900s. All of Goshen's digitized documents originated in the Mennonite Church USA Archives, from the Goshen collection.

– By Tyler Falk '09

Florida Keys marine biology facility named

In a celebration of its marine biology program, GC recently named its Florida Keys facility the J.N. Roth Marine Biology Station, and a lab the C.F. Bishop Marine Biology Laboratory. They are named in honor of former biology professors Jonathan Roth and the late C. Franklin Bishop.

Roth and Bishop are credited with the vision that led to the development of the marine biology program, and later to the founding of the current facility, which provides students with the opportunity to research and learn during a May term marine biology course offered in Florida.

In a presentation on March 20, President James Brenneman officially announced the new name of the center.

Those involved in the celebration included: (above, left to right) Tony Swinehart '92, associate professor of biology at Hillsdale College; Suzanne Bishop, wife of the late C. Franklin Bishop; President Jim Brenneman; Professor Emeritus of Biology Jonathan Roth; Carl Weaver '69, biology teacher at Goshen High School; and Ryan Sensenig, assistant professor of biology.

Shane Claiborne (right) speaks with a group from the audience after one of his lectures

JODI H. BEYELER

Claiborne offers words on 'living a countercultural faith'

Christian author and activist Shane Claiborne was on campus March 18-20 sharing his personal story of faith and life and his vision for the church and what this world needs. "Jesus came for the people that are broken, not for the people that have it all worked out," he said. "If you want to find your life, you've got to give it away."

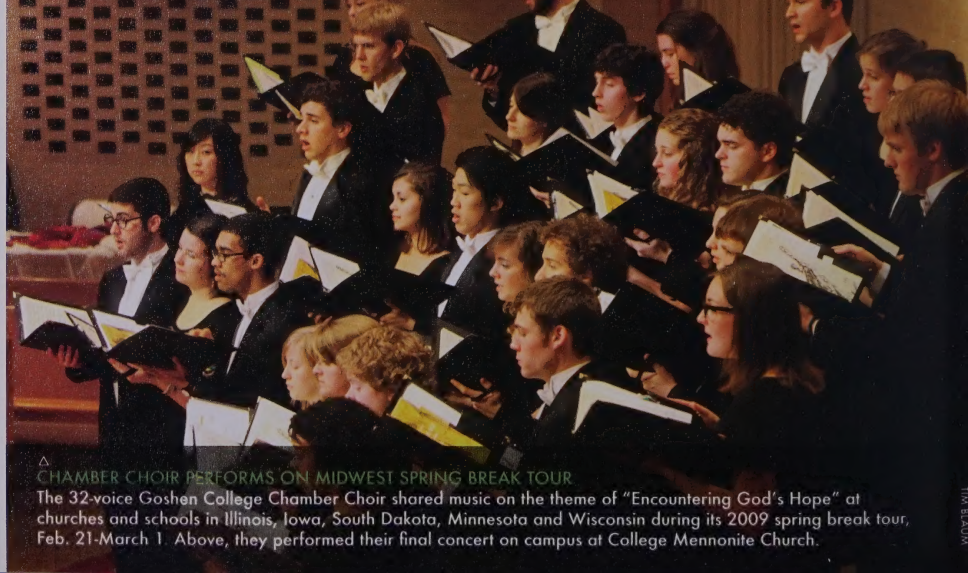
College to launch domestic Study-Service Term in local Latino community

Northern Indiana may not have the exotic allure of Cambodia or Peru, but after 40 years of sending students around the world for a semester of cross-culture learning, GC is launching a new location for Study-Service Term (SST) program right in its own backyard.

Starting in the spring of 2010, students will have the opportunity to study about, serve in and be immersed in the local Latino culture for a semester in Northern Indiana, which has seen significant demographic changes in the last 20 years. Minority enrollment in Northern Indiana schools – particularly of Latino students – has grown dramatically.

Similar to other SST locations in places that have significantly different cultures, the students will be required to have taken two semesters of Spanish language study beforehand and will take Spanish classes during the semester. They will also study Latino history, literature and culture; they will process their experiences as a group; they will take field trips to Latino communities in such places as Chicago and Indianapolis; and they will serve in local organizations, church programs or schools that are linked to the Latino community.

Though students will continue to live on campus or at home, the plan is that they will each connect with a local Latino family on a regular basis during the semester. In other SST locations, students live with host families during both the six weeks of study and the six weeks of service.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

△ CHAMBER CHOIR PERFORMS ON MIDWEST SPRING BREAK TOUR

The 32-voice Goshen College Chamber Choir shared music on the theme of "Encountering God's Hope" at churches and schools in Illinois, Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin during its 2009 spring break tour, Feb. 21-March 1. Above, they performed their final concert on campus at College Mennonite Church.

△
CELEBRATING KING'S LIFE AND IDEAS
The campus took a break from classes on Jan. 19 to celebrate the 16th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Study Day. Those gathered enjoyed a performance by the college's Voices-n-Harmony Gospel Choir (above) and a performance by the Triple G Mime Group, from South Bend. Local lecturers came to campus, including the Williams family from Elkhart, who were subject to cross burnings in their lawn in 2008, and the Meyers-Ray family, whose neighborhood became home to a racial extremist compound. As well, members of the Indiana University-South Bend Heritage Center were on campus to discuss ways to take action toward fulfilling MLK's dream.

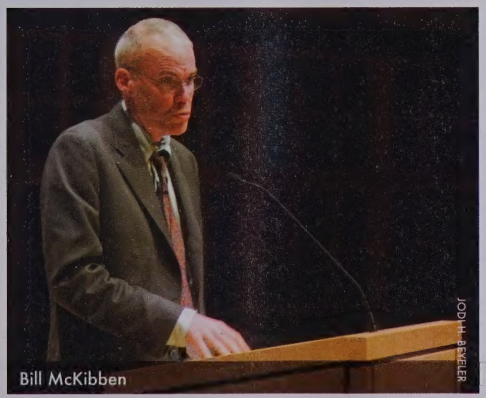
JODI H. BEYELER

Speech on immigration wins annual peace oratorical contest

Senior Analisa Gerig-Sickles (below) an elementary education major from West Branch, Iowa, won first place with her speech during the college's annual C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest on Feb. 3.

In her speech, Gerig-Sickles talked about the impact of work raids on illegal immigrants. She used stories from her experience last summer working with St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Postville, Iowa, the site of one of the largest work raids in U.S. history.

Isaac Yoder-Schrock, a first-year physics major from Moundridge, Kan., won second place for his speech, "National Healthcare: Caring for Others."



Bill McKibben

JODI H. BEYELER

With urgency, McKibben calls for global action to make 350 the target in climate change

Bill McKibben hopes that the world is ready to act fast, and aim for 350 – "the most important number in the world."

"Anything more than that is not compatible with life on this planet," the environmental author, educator and activist said. The number 350 refers to the parts per million (ppm) of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere which McKibben called the "red line" based on the most recent science when he spoke at the college on March 11.

Before the Industrial Revolution, McKibben said during his Yoder Public Affairs Lecture, the amount of carbon in the air was fairly stable at around 270 ppm. But the current number is already at 387 ppm, and increasing each year. If that is not reversed soon, "the possibilities of what lies down this path are enormous."

"The most immediate victims of this are poor people who didn't cause this," said McKibben, whose most recent book was *Deep Economy: the Wealth of Community and the Durable Future* (2007).

– *Jodi H. Beyeler*

College heads to the Middle East with new study abroad location in Egypt

Starting in the fall of 2010, Egypt will be added as a location for GC students to study abroad through Study-Service Term (SST), making it the first time that Arabic is the language studied by students on SST.

"Goshen College should be in the Middle East. It is a very important part of the world and international politics," said Director of International Education Tom Meyers. "It is at the heart of so many issues."

About 90 percent of Egyptians are Muslim and most others are Christian, primarily in the Coptic Orthodox denomination.

Students will have the opportunity to visit a number of very important historical sites, as Egypt is famous for its ancient civilization. Other colleges have study abroad programs in Egypt, but few have programs that are a semester in length and that stay in Egypt the entire time.

The addition of Egypt as an SST location means that the summer 2009 unit to Germany was the last for that location.

– *By Jodi H. Beyeler*

QUIZ: What's this?

A. A crop square: the latest fashion in UFO visits.

B. Geek groundhogs at work

C. Evidence of student research at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College

The correct answer is C.

The aerial photo shows a deer exclosure in a prairie near Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center's Luckey's Landing. In the fall of 2008, ecology students assisted Assistant Professor of Biology Ryan Sensenig in a long-term prairie project analyzing how grazers of different body sizes affect the prairie. Here, the deer are kept out of the square, so it is possible to compare "deer free" and "deer browsed" areas.

Ninth annual Conference of Religion and Science features Herzfeld

St. John's University Professor of Theology and Computer Science Noreen Herzfeld (below) was the keynote speaker at the ninth annual Goshen College Conference on Religion and Science, held March 27-29. Herzfeld gave two lectures on the topic of perfection.

ORCHESTRA, CONTEST WINNERS PERFORM ANNUAL CONCERTO-ARIA CONCERT

The annual Concerto-Aria Competition Concert on Feb. 13 featured nine outstanding music student performances – (front, left to right) junior Allison Yoder from Middlebury, Ind., singing soprano; senior Nathan Grieser from Goshen, on saxophone; junior Carrie Rivera from Nappanee, Ind., singing soprano; senior Emily Swora from Shoreview, Minn., singing soprano; junior Drew Stoltzfus from Souderton, Pa., directing his original composition; sophomore Greta Breckbill from Stoughton, Wis., on violin; Anna Showalter from Waynesboro, Pa., on piano; senior Leslee Smucker from Goshen, on violin; and senior Peter Miller from Evanston, Ill., on cello – accompanied by the Goshen College Orchestra.

JON H. BEYELER

Students spend spring break building cultural bridges in the nation's capital

It wasn't a week on the beach for seven GC Latino and six Anglo students during spring break. Instead, it was an intense week that involved learning about other cultures and doing service in Washington, D.C., as they spent time with the bilingual Mennonite congregation, New Hope/Nueva Esperanza.

New Hope meets for worship in a rented school auditorium in Alexandria, Va., praising God in English and Spanish.

The Goshen group served, during their visit, in elementary schools, a thrift shop, the Washington Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) volunteer house and a social service agency for senior citizens.

By the last evening, a Latino student was playing – and winning – Rook, a popular card game among Anglo Mennonites, and Anglo students were learning how to salsa dance.

– By Becky Horst

Sophomore Hector Varela and campus pastor Tamara Shantz play Rook.

BECKY HORST

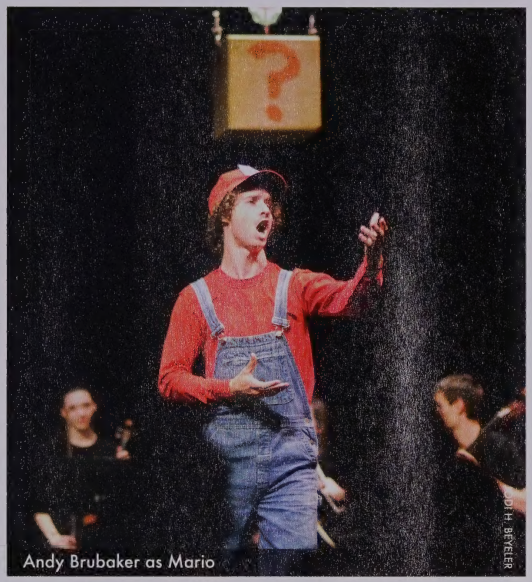
Students write, perform quirky operatic comedy about the Mario Brothers

Combining his musical talents with his love for video games, senior Jesse Landis-Eigsti recently wrote and produced the original operetta "I Fratelli Mario" (The Brothers Mario), a 25-minute epic comic operetta based on the video game characters from "Super Mario Brothers."

Landis-Eigsti liked the idea of putting the story of a video game, which is typically seen as a low-art form, into an opera, which is seen as high-art. "I knew I wanted to do something humorous that wouldn't take itself too seriously," he said.

A music composition major from Lakewood, Colo., Landis-Eigsti said the plot follows the basic story line of the Super Mario Brothers video game. In the game, the Mario brothers are on a quest to rescue Princess Peach from Bowser, the main antagonist who is trying to take over the Mushroom Kingdom. But in Landis-Eigsti's opera, there were some twists to the basic plot: a sibling rivalry between Mario and Luigi, the addition of Link from "The Legend of Zelda" and the princess who wants to be independent and save herself.

Jesse Landis-Eigsti '09

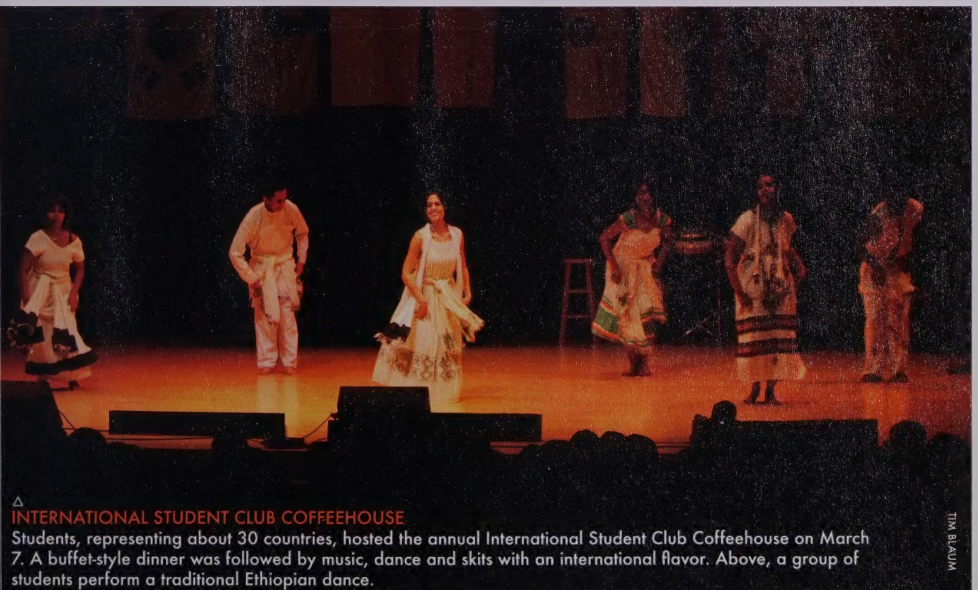

Andy Brubaker as Mario

JOY H. BEYELER

The music was almost all original and designed to remind the audience of the music from the games. "Sometimes I would sneak in a chord progression or melody line, but mostly it's original music," Landis-Eigsti said.

Student volunteer performers helped Landis-Eigsti put on the show. They included: Andy Brubaker, a junior (as Mario); Martin Brubaker, a sophomore (as Luigi); Greg Yoder, a senior (as Bowser); Emily Swora, a senior (as Princess Peach); and Andrew Landis, a senior (as Link). A small orchestra of students also accompanied the show.

– By Tyler Falk '09



△ INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CLUB COFFEEHOUSE

Students, representing about 30 countries, hosted the annual International Student Club Coffeehouse on March 7. A buffet-style dinner was followed by music, dance and skits with an international flavor. Above, a group of students perform a traditional Ethiopian dance.

TIM BLAUM

GC and Notre Dame collaborate on engineering

Goshen College and the University of Notre Dame have agreed to create a collaborative liberal arts and engineering program for undergraduates, similar to Goshen's prior agreements with the University of Illinois and Case Western Reserve University.

Under this dual-degree program, a student takes three years of liberal arts and preparatory engineering courses at Goshen followed by two years in Notre Dame's College of Engineering. Upon successfully completing the program, each student receives two degrees: a bachelor of arts degree (B.A.) in physics from Goshen and the bachelor of science (B.S.) in engineering degree from Notre Dame.

GC joins the big game with regional Super Bowl ads

It wasn't just the Cardinals and the Steelers showing up for the Super Bowl in February. The Maple Leafs made an appearance, though without a football team.

The college's three commercials aired on the local NBC affiliated station WNDU-16 – which has viewers in Northern Indiana and Southern Michigan – before, during and after the Super Bowl game.

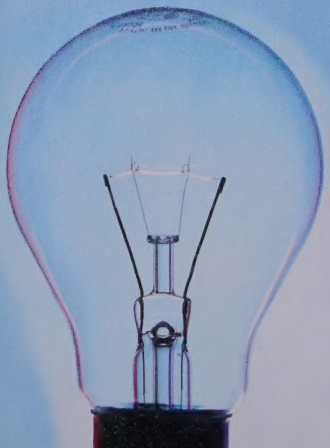
You can view the ads at **www.goshen.edu/super.**

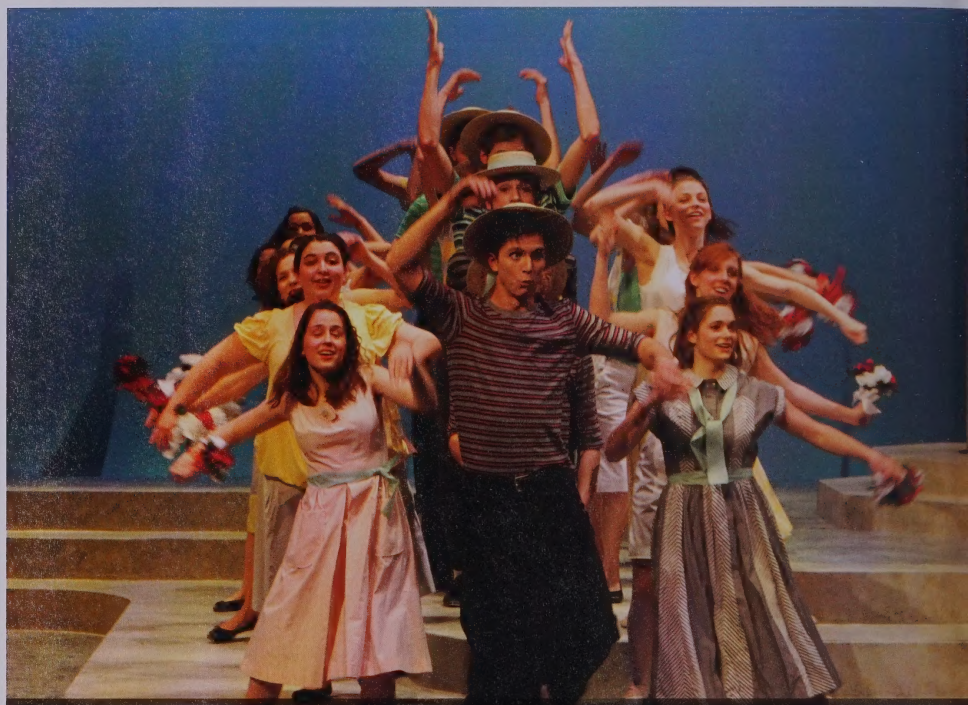
Lights off: Saving energy one hour at a time

Goshen College joined 50 million people around the world on March 28 to raise awareness about global climate change and energy consumption by turning off unnecessary lights during Earth Hour, sponsored by the World Wildlife Fund.

During the hour, students gathered for a drum circle and to watch a video projection of the campus electrical meter to see how many kilowatts the campus was using.

Glenn Gilbert, sustainabilty officer and utilities manager, said that during the hour the campus was using about 430 kilowatts, about the amount of electricity typically used at 3 a.m.





△
STUDENTS PERFORM GILBERT AND SULLIVAN'S OPERETTA, "THE GONDOLIERS"
The Music and Theater Departments combined to perform Gilbert and Sullivan's operetta, "The Gondoliers," for the spring mainstage. The cast was made up of 29 students, accompanied by a full orchestra. Some of the historical details and political commentary in this production were changed to reflect current political situations, and the audience noticed rewritten words in some songs and dialogue, which is common in Gilbert and Sullivan productions.

English Department launches online Center for Mennonite Writing

For people interested in Mennonite writing, there is now one place to go online for a multitude of resources: the Center for Mennonite Writing (CMW). CMW, a project of the college's English Department, was launched as a Web site in the middle of January at: **www.mennonitewriting.org**.

Ervin Beck and Ann Hostetler

"We've had enthusiastic responses from some of our contributors, and we hope that more people who care about Mennonite Writing will find that Goshen College is a virtual hub for this sort of ongoing creative activity," said site editor and Professor of English Ann Hostetler.

The site has three components: a journal section that includes new writing and criticism; a resources section that includes writers' biographies, bibliographies, links to other relevant sites and classic Mennonite texts; and a community section that is interactive and includes forums and discussion groups.

The bi-monthly journal, called the "CMW Journal," will be initially guest edited by Professor Emeritus of English Ervin Beck and will reflect "the best of contemporary Mennonite writing" in the genres of poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction and criticism.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

Maple Leafs SCOREBOARD

MEN'S BASKETBALL
15-16 (overall), 5-11 (MCC)
Junior Errick McCollum II (Canton, Ohio) was named First-Team All MCC and an honorable mention NAIA All American after finishing the season just shy of 2,000 career points (1,994).

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
7-24 (overall), 2-14 (MCC)
Sophomore Cassie Greives (Rochester, Ind.) set a new single-season record with 289 rebounds.

SOFTBALL
11-30 (overall), 4-12 (MCC)
After a one-year hiatus, compiled double-digit wins for first time since 2003. Senior Amy Clem (Logansport, Ind.) set a new single-season program record for home runs with 11.

BASEBALL
11-45 (overall), 2-22 (MCC)

MEN'S GOLF
Finished ninth at the MCC Championships.

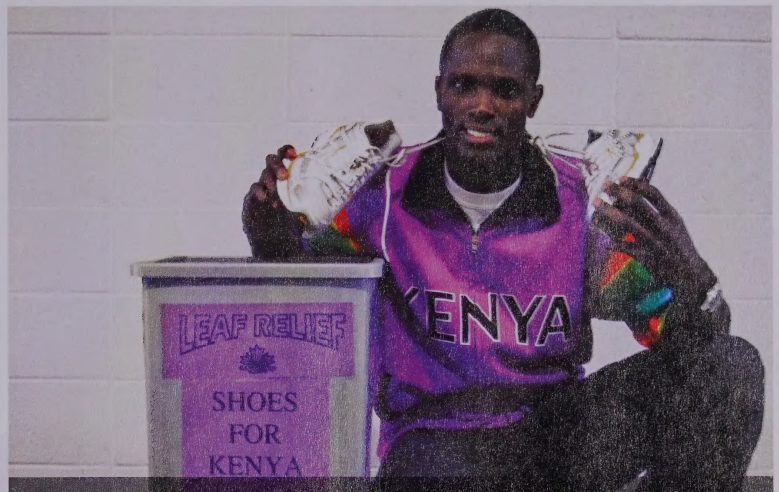
WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD
Finished third at the MCC Championships with three individual conference championships. The Leafs later placed 14th out of nearly 300 at the NAIA National Championships in St. Louis. Senior Abri Houser (Newton, Kan.), senior Tessa Horst (Dalton, Ohio) and junior Tina Peters (Yellow Springs, Ohio) were named All Americans.

MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD
Finished seventh at the MCC Championships. Sophomore Jon Miller (Syracuse, Ind.) won the individual conference title in the 400-meter hurdles.

NOTES:
The Goshen College Athletic Department received a program-record 50 Daktronics-NAIA All American Scholar-Athlete awards during the 2008-09 academic year. The Maple Leafs also led the MCC with 54 Academic All Conference selections.

The Sports Information Office was recognized with seven national publication awards at the NAIA-Sports Information Directors Association Convention in San Antonio. Among the awards, www.GoLeafs.net, was honored as the third best official athletic Web site in the country. The Maple Leafs also received top 10 finishes in three media guide categories as well as two feature writing contests.

Visit www.goleafs.net to find in-depth game reports, player stats and insider comments about the Goshen College Maple Leafs.



△ Senior cross country runner Sam Chege, a nursing major from Nairobi, Kenya, holds shoes donated to the Shoes for Kenya program.

JOSH GLEASON

MAPLE LEAFS GIVE RELIEF BY GIVING BACK

When associated with athletics, the word "community" most often suggests the idea of creating a close-knit group of teammates on and off the court or field of play.

For the GC Athletic Department's 200-plus student-athletes, the 2008-09 school year was a lesson in a more complete definition of community through the department's new project: "Leaf Relief."

Formed around the school's mascot – the Maple Leaf – and the college's core value of servant leadership, Leaf Relief is now an annual relief effort to help those in need. With a motto of "Leaf Belief is to give Relief," the program's three main goals are raising awareness for worthy causes, taking part in community service projects and raising funds for humanitarian efforts.

"We wanted to show how our student-athletes embrace the college's motto of 'Culture for Service,'" explained Women's Basketball Coach Steve Wiktorowski, who initiated the program. "It has enlarged our athletic community with everyone working together for a single cause, even though it has been done in different and unique ways."

The traditional understandings of community in athletics of building a team – while equally important – have often become merely the backdrop for the program. Maple Leaf student-athletes have been active in the local community through projects such as free basketball clinics for elementary school children, providing safety patrols for popular trick-or-treat locations on Halloween, a Toys for Tots Drive and a Family Fun Fest which brought over 100 kids onto campus for a day of free games and crafts.

It has been the more nontraditional ideas or understandings of community service, however, which have set the program apart, such as a pre-season men's basketball team trip to a maximum-security prison in Michigan for a scrimmage.

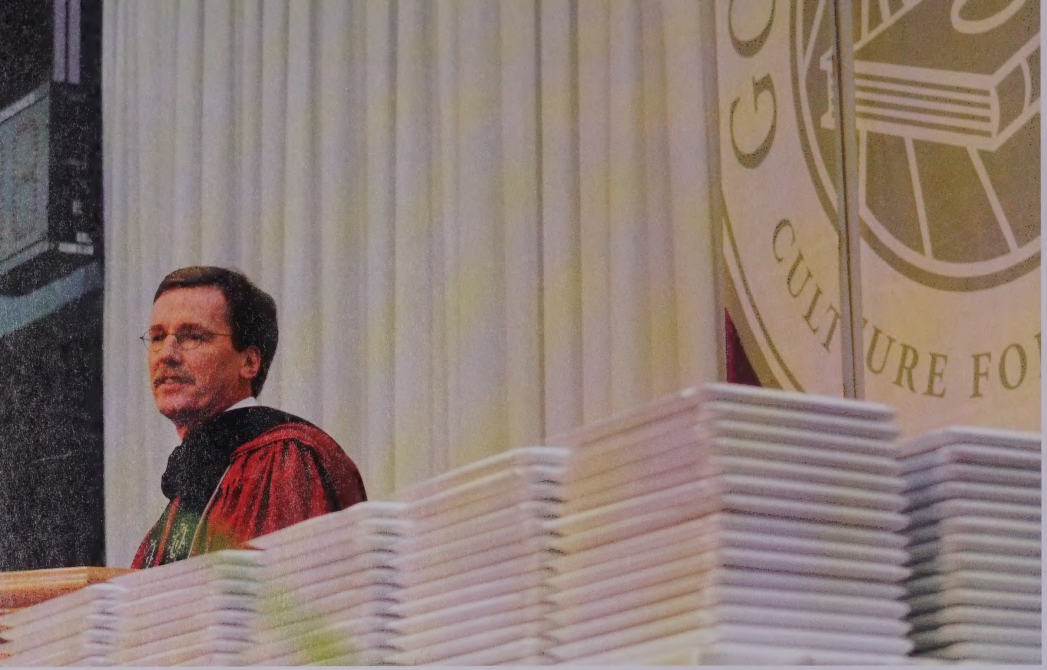
While not every project has been that dramatic in scope, each has taught lessons of community and sacrifice outside the typical boundaries of a team. Dozens of student-athletes joined with the entire campus community in March to help distribute food to 5,000 local families for an Elkhart County Feed the Children event.

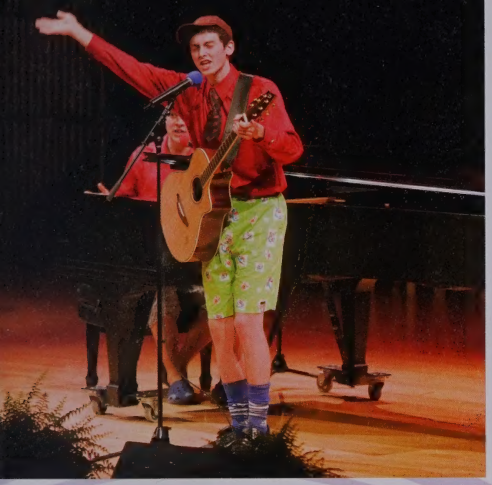
The Maple Leafs Student-Athlete Advisory Board selected LaCasa, Inc. – a local organization that assists with the social and economic welfare of individuals, families and neighborhoods – as the program beneficiary of the year's Leaf Relief fundraising events, which raised about $2,500.

The understanding of community has also gone well beyond the borders of this country with the sponsorship of a World Vision child in Rwanda and the Shoes for Kenya program. Developed by senior cross-country runner Sam Chege, a nursing major from Nairobi, the Shoes for Kenya program gathered more than 100 pairs of used tennis shoes to be shipped to his home country, where most runners train barefoot because they cannot afford the luxury of the footwear.

"It is very important to us that our student-athletes are both leaders and servants in our campus community, the Goshen community and across the world," said Athletic Director Tim Demant. "Our athletes have proven that they will step up and exceed our expectations both on and off the field of play."

–By Josh Gleason, sports information director





Goshen College's 111th commencement

Sunday, April 26, 2009

CLASS OF 2009 PROFILE

236 graduates (3 master's degrees, 175 candidates for bachelor of arts degrees and 58 candidates for bachelor of science degrees. The class included 15 graduates with double majors.)

18 states represented among the graduates

97 from Indiana

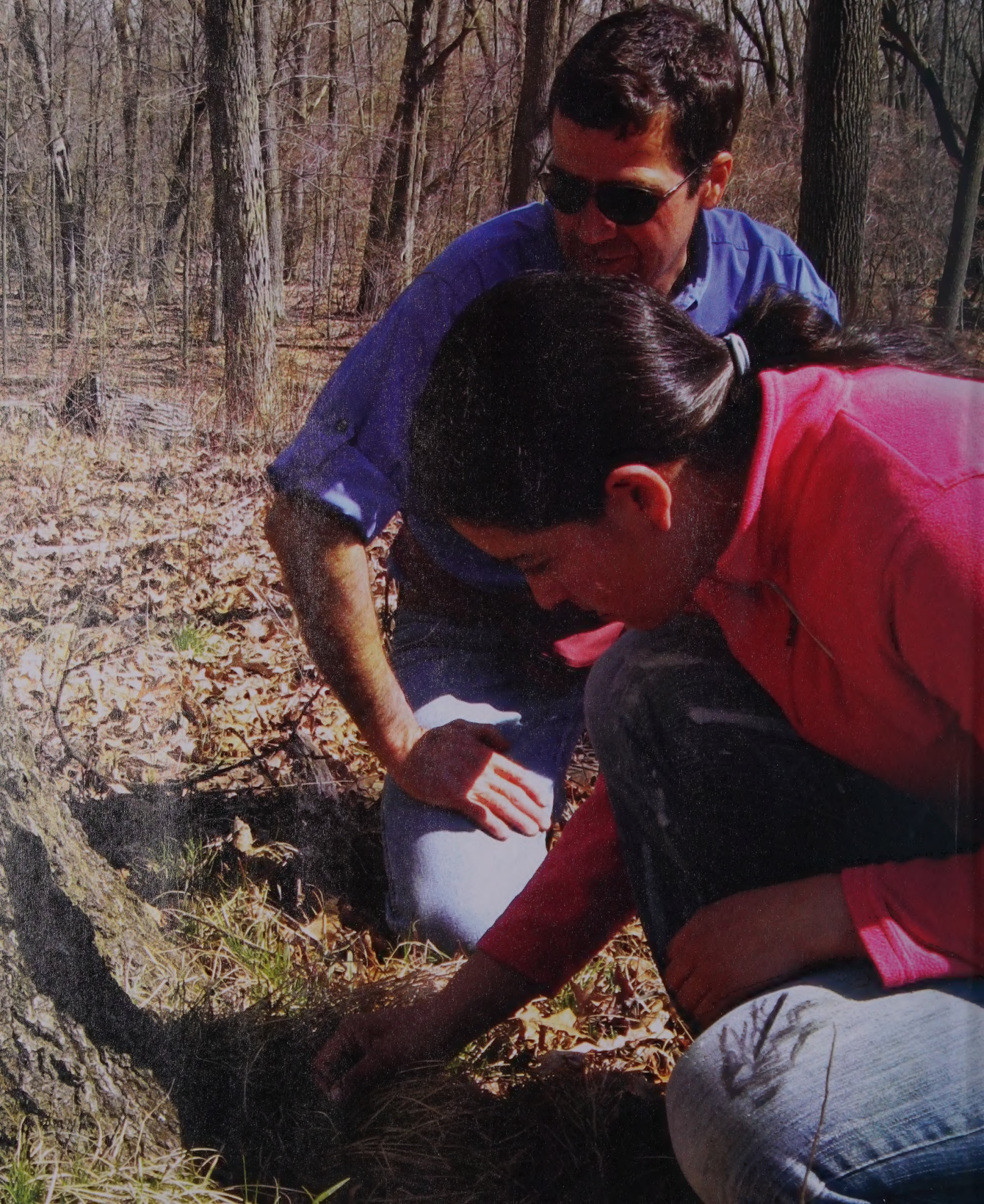
13 countries outside the U.S. represented

40 degrees in nursing. Other top majors: organizational management (17), business (17); art (16); music (15), social work (14)

27 students graduating with highest honors (GPAs of 3.9 to a perfect 4.0). 90 others achieved GPAs of 3.60 and above

92 took the Graduation Pledge of Social and Environmental Responsibility.

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin for more photos from Commencement 2009 and learn more about commencement weekend.



The first masters have

A WORLD for a CLASSROOM

BY JENNIFER SCHROCK

Editor's note: Goshen College's first three graduate students walked across the commencement stage in caps and gowns on April 26, and completed master's degrees in environmental education at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College in early June. This academic year, the program was tripled, with a cohort of eight who began studies in July. Here's what the incoming students can expect and what those who are leaving will take with them.

LANDSCAPES

Environmental education is place-based learning. It teaches people to be aware of their setting: how ecosystems function biologically, how they fit within the larger landscape and how they are shaped – or misshapen – by human values.

By mid-April, three-quarters of the way through their program, Merry Lea's three current graduate students have worked with prairies, farmland, upland and lowland forests, fens, bogs and a variety of other types of wetlands. On this day, they are back on the west side of Merry Lea on the sand dunes that glaciers deposited just north of High Lake. They've come with Bill Minter, a certified forester who serves as Merry Lea's land manager, who is restoring this area to the oak savanna it once was.

The three have been to these dunes before: in August for a natural history course with an entomologist, in October during a seminar on nature

p. 14 Bill Minter and Nayla Jiménez
p. 15 Mallory Kuhn, Jiménez and Todd Weston
p. 16 Jiménez
p. 17 Kuhn
p. 18 Kuhn
photographs provided by Merry Lea

photography, and in March, when they helped with a prescribed burn on this site. Now they are back to watch the charred landscape begin to sprout and to learn more about how fire-dependent landscapes function.

None of the three students has previous experience with oak savannas. That is not surprising, since this ecosystem is listed as "globally imperiled." Although patches of oak savanna were once abundant along the prairie/forest border throughout the Midwest, grazing, farming and fire suppression have since eradicated or degraded much of this ecosystem. Merry Lea contains the only oak savanna in Noble or Elkhart counties.

For Nayla Jiménez – who grew up in the cool, humid cloud forests that blanket the mountains of Costa Rica – any dry, open landscape is new. A savanna is also an unfamiliar setting for Mallory Kuhn from Spencerville, Ohio. Todd Weston, whose hometown in Missouri hugs the Kansas border, is at home with prairies, but unfamiliar with the glacial activity that created Merry Lea's dunes.

On their educational trek, Jiménez, Kuhn and Weston follow Minter across the north and south sand dunes. The north dune, which was burned this spring, is still black and bare. Kneeling down, they can begin to see green emerging from the scorched clumps. The south dune was not burned, and it takes a serious climb through little bluestem to get to the top.

In the classroom, they've already learned how to recognize a savanna by observing the percentage of ground shaded by the tree canopy and whether the soils are wet or dry. They know that shrubs such as gray dogwood and smooth sumac are indicators of a dry soil, and that the scattered oaks they are looking at are black oaks. Black oaks prefer dry soil and are able to survive a fire thanks to their thick, corky bark and the ability of seedlings to re-sprout after being burned.

The group heads south toward a point where Native Americans once camped, stopping to admire a patch of Pennsylvania sedge at the base of an oak. Below them, High Lake sparkles through the trees. Another short walk will take them to an entirely different ecosystem where discussions might revolve around drainage tile, and sycamores and swamp rose mallow are the species to watch for. That will wait for another day.

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

Todd Weston, who studied wildlife and fisheries at the University of Missouri for his bachelor's degree, chose Merry Lea's graduate program over seven others partly because of the amount of K-12 interaction built into the program. "I really wanted to be teaching people," he says.

Merry Lea's master's in environmental education requires about 300 hours of practicum experience. Since Merry Lea already has a 30-year track record with environmental education and a K-12 program that serves over 7,000 school students each year, there is ample opportunity to learn from experienced educators and a proven curriculum.

The one-year, year-round program enables students to experience environmental education in all seasons. In the fall, a graduate student might find herself showing first-graders how corn was processed on a turn-of-the-century farm in one of Merry Lea's farm craft programs. In the winter, the group treks to the Yoder Sugar Bush in Huntertown, Ind., to tap maple trees, boil sap and teach maple sugaring. In the spring, they are hip-deep in wetlands dipping for macroinvertebrates and teaching about water quality.

Preparing a public program for all ages at Merry Lea's annual NatureFest will round out their experiences. Weston will lead a herpetology hike; Kuhn is guiding families who go geocaching and Jiménez is preparing a workshop on how to make a home more eco-friendly.

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin to view a photo gallery of images of summer flora at Merry Lea.

SPACE FOR FAITH

"One unique aspect of our program is that we talk a lot about spirituality and the relationship between care of creation and faith," says Paul Steury, who teaches two environmental education courses in the master's program.

Readings and lectures put students in contact with environmental leaders such as author Bill McKibben and former vice president of the National Association of Evangelicals Richard Cizik, whose passion for the planet is informed by a Christian framework.

Merry Lea's annual Autumn Hope Conference – which integrates Christian theology and worship with time outdoors led by trained naturalists – is also a part of the graduate curriculum.

"The faculty wasn't pushing a set of ideas so much as making a space for conversation about how spirituality, beliefs and value systems tied into the subjects we talked about," says Jiménez.

"It was a change, coming from a state school where you never talked about religion unless you were in a religion class," says Weston.

Kuhn recalls being inspired by the group's visit to Faith in Place, a Chicago nonprofit that helps people of all faiths find the tools they need to become good stewards of the earth. "I really wasn't exposed to the idea of creation care before," she says.

A WIDE-OPEN FUTURE FOR GRADUATES

"We define environmental education very broadly," says David Ostergren, director of the graduate program. "We at Merry Lea are excited about reaching out to a broad audience. We want to train leaders that can bring environmental awareness to a variety of fields. Our students' future jobs and goals are only limited by their imaginations."

This breadth is evident in the interests of current students and the backgrounds of this year's entering class. Weston plans to teach in a school classroom that will no doubt contain aquariums of live amphibians and reptiles. Kuhn is a fan of small mammals and hopes to teach others about them in a zoo setting. Jiménez would love to work as a consultant, helping businesses or homeowners improve their energy-efficiency and ecological footprints.

Among this year's entering class are a chef interested in sustainably grown food as a starting point for environmental education and a woman with a vision for combining environmental education with her inner-city ministry.

A WIDE-OPEN FUTURE FOR MERRY LEA

The master's program is reshaping Merry Lea's focus and energies as well. Luke Gascho, executive director at Merry Lea, is surprised and pleased by the number of students who entered the program this summer.

"People are attracted to our clearly defined curriculum," Gascho notes. "They can see what they will get when they look at our Web site, but there is also flexibility, based on which major project they choose."

This year's students report that the opportunity to complete a master's degree in one year was a factor in their decision. Granted, the schedule is brutal, with few breaks, but for those able to devote themselves to full-time study, it is an opportunity to save money and hit the job market sooner.

Perhaps the most important factor filling the chairs in Merry Lea's classroom is the critical, 21st century need for ecological understanding. "The environment is in the news a great deal," observes Gascho. "This encourages people to think, 'I need to do something about that!' " B

Jennifer Schrock is the public program coordinator at Merry Lea.

12

TRAITS OF MENNONITE COLLEGES

1 / Models of accomplishment 2 / Student-centered ethos 3 / Life & learning, beyond academics 4 / Place to make life-shaping choices 5 / You can't go wrong here. 6 / Can we be of service? 7 / Caring for all of God's creation 8 / Peace & social justice as core values 9 / Whole (holistic) people 10 / Relationship building, usually community based 11 / Global vision 12 / Living & working as Jesus taught

By Eastern Mennonite University's Bonnie Lofton, writer, and John Styer, photographer

EDITOR'S NOTE

This issue of the *Bulletin* is devoted largely to an in-depth exploration of Mennonite higher education – what makes it distinctive and valuable, who has benefitted from it, why it remains relevant to today's student and why it endures.

The following feature, "12 Traits of Mennonite Colleges," originally was published in a longer form in the Spring 2009 issue of *Crossroads*, the alumni magazine of our sister school Eastern Mennonite University (EMU). This is being published in the *Bulletin* because the subject matter has great relevance for Goshen College, as it does for all other Mennonite colleges and universities, and for all those who care about their past, present and future.

For their generosity of sharing these excellent and inspiring stories and photographs with us, we thank the following individuals from EMU: President Loren Swartzendruber; Kirk Shisler, vice president for advancement; Andrea Wenger, marketing and communications director; Bonnie Price Lofton, editor/writer of *Crossroads*; and Jon Styer, designer/photographer.

Go to **www.emu.edu/crossroads/colleges/** to read and view the full issue of *Crossroads* about Mennonite higher education.

– Richard R. Aguirre, editor

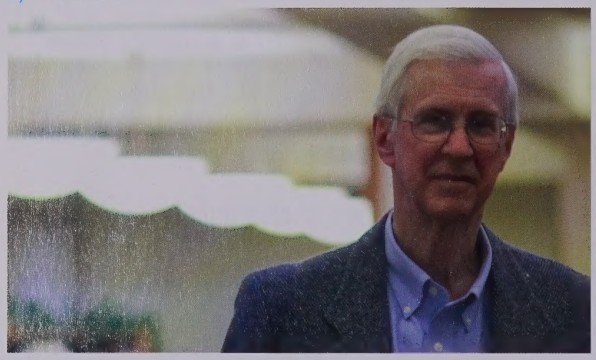
FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, "Mennonite colleges" refers to six institutions under the umbrella of the Mennonite Education Agency, part of Mennonite Church USA. Bethel College, founded in Kansas in 1887, is the oldest of the group. Goshen College, in Indiana, was founded next in 1894. Bluffton University took shape in Ohio in 1899. Hesston College is a two-year private liberal arts college (there are just a dozen in this country), which opened in 1909 in the vicinity of Bethel College. (Hesston and Bethel belonged to different ethnic-religious traditions in the Mennonite stream; these have since unified.) Eastern Mennonite University (EMU), which includes a seminary, began as a Bible school in the Shenandoah Valley in 1917. Finally, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, emerged from two seminaries, each representing a particular ethnic-religious Anabaptist tradition in the United States. In the 1960s, these seminaries began to share curricula and facilities; in 1994 they formally merged.

Early in the spring of 2009, *Crossroads* posed this query to 75 people who have studied and worked on multiple college campuses: What is distinctive about Mennonite institutions of higher education? From tens of thousands of words offered during interviews and in e-mails, plus a half-dozen books written on Christian education in the last decade, patterns began to be visible and 12 common traits emerged.

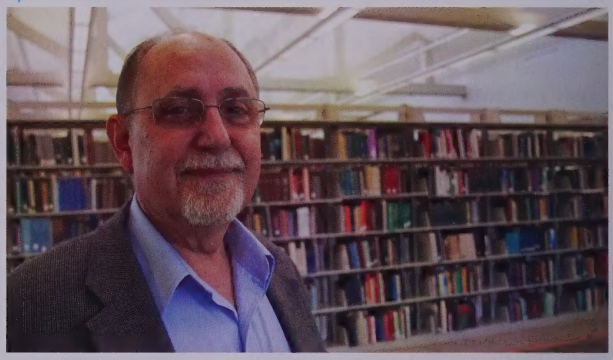
1 / Models of accomplishment

Many of our faculty members are famous, such as restorative justice pioneer Howard Zehr and Amish expert Steve Nolt. All hold graduate degrees from reputable accredited universities, some from "elite" places, such as Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, Notre Dame, and the University of California. Yet *they choose to work in a Mennonite setting,* preparing and challenging their students intellectually and spiritually to change the world.

A / ALAN KREIDER



B / TED KOONTZ



C/ ANITA STALTER

D/ MARY SCHERTZ

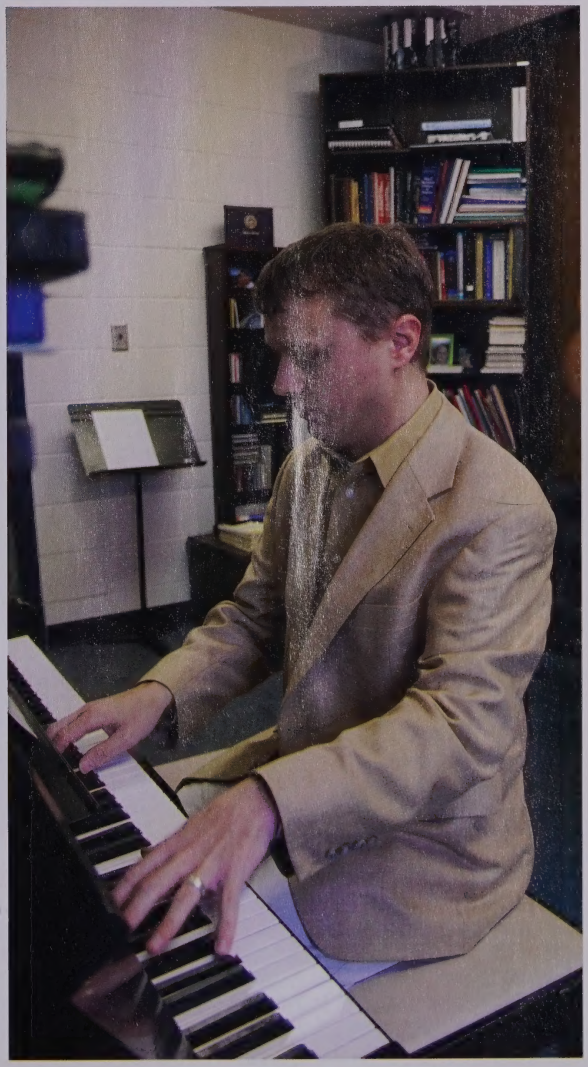
A / ALAN KREIDER / GOSHEN, BA '62 / HARVARD, AM '65, PHD '71 / AMBS, professor of church history & mission / With wife Eleanor, was Mennonite missionary in the UK for 26 years; responsibilities included directing London Mennonite Centre and planting Wood Green Mennonite Church in London / Academic stints at Princeton University, Heidelberg University, University of Manchester, University of London, and University of Oxford, where he directed the Centre for the Study of Christianity and Culture from 1995 to 2000. / Views one of his earliest professors at Goshen, John S. Oyer, as a model – "his life was one of Anabaptist commitment, manifest integrity, and scrupulous scholarship." B / TED KOONTZ / BETHEL, BA '69 / HARVARD, MDIV '72, MA '80, PHD '85 / AMBS, professor of ethics & peace studies / "Some of the brightest students I met at Harvard Divinity School would not be good pastors, and some of the most gifted people I've met at AMBS – possessing relational, emotional and leadership strengths – would not be a good fit for Harvard, due to its heavy emphasis on book-based scholarship. Thankfully, AMBS cherishes both scholarship and relationships." C/ ANITA STALTER / EMU, BS '79 / MICHIGAN STATE, PHD '97 / GOSHEN, vice-president for academic affairs & academic dean / Doctoral degree is in teaching, curriculum and educational policy. / Instrumental in establishing Goshen's Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning. / Collaborates with teaching and administrative colleagues "to design curriculum that incorporates the college's Anabaptist vision, liberal arts foundation, and international resources to prepare students to assume leadership for the complex challenges we face in an increasingly globalized world." D/ MARY SCHERTZ / GOSHEN, BA '71 / VANDERBILT U., PHD '93 / AMBS, New Testament professor / Lives near AMBS and loves her "great neighborhood, where a third are Hispanic, a third are African American, and a third are Caucasian." / At Vanderbilt, enjoyed being in an ecumenical environment "with Lutherans, Catholics, Methodists, Jews and people who didn't have any religious background," enabling her to "hone my arguments for pacifist interpretations of the Scripture." / Appreciates having three colleagues at AMBS who are Old and New Testament scholars.

2 / Student-centered ethos

Mennonite-college people do research, write books, produce art, direct plays and musical groups, speak at scholarly symposia, lead national and international associations. They are quoted by the national media on such matters as: non-military solutions to world conflict, alternatives to incarceration, the Christian approach to our environmental problems, ways to combine theory and practice, a cappella singing in four-part harmony, disaster relief, and much more. But *nothing is more important to them than their students.* They come first. As much as possible, professors include students in their out-of-classroom work.

A / SANDEE ZERGER

B/ BRADLEY KAUFFMAN

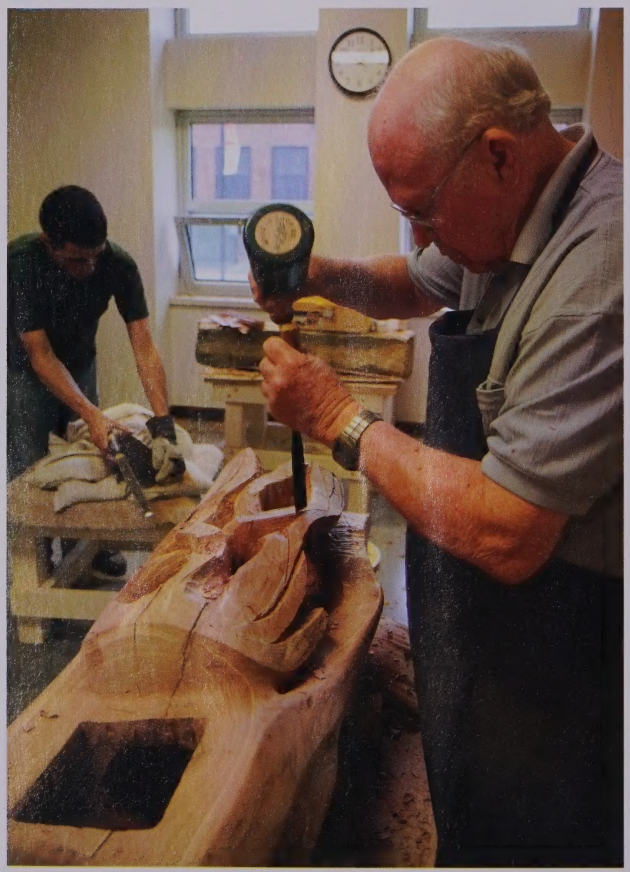


A / SANDEE ZERGER / BETHEL, BA '66 / U. OF KANSAS, PHD '92 / HESSTON, vice-president of academics and academic dean / Fluent in Spanish, having attended a Spanish-language school as a child in Puerto Rico, where her dentist-father was doing alternative service, and having taught ESL classes in Colombia for almost three years. / Grandfather, mother, father, sister, husband and sons also are Bethel alumni. / "Hesston's students are the most geographically diverse of all the Mennonite colleges, partly because it's a great place to start your college career, within an environment of close, warm relationships." B/ BRADLEY KAUFFMAN / GOSHEN, BA '96 / U. OF IOWA, MA '02 / HESSTON, director of instrumental music and Bel Canto Singers / With a graduate degree in choral conducting, Kauffman keeps up the strong European-Mennonite tradition of a cappella singing at Hesston; as director of a new wind ensemble, he is equally determined to build a strong instrumental program. / "Hesston is uniquely friendly and welcoming, making it a good place for everyone, but especially for students who need to test out the idea of college."

3/ Life & learning, beyond academics

Mennonites traditionally are "doers." Practical people. The best way to learn about organic farming is to do it, applying information and theory gleaned from books and teachers. Want to be a teacher of English as a second language? Then apply your classroom lessons to tutoring immigrants who don't know English. Instead of fretting about how much food Americans waste, study the food wasted in the college cafeteria and devise ways to channel it into feeding hungry people through the local food bank. Such *combining of learning and doing* is characteristic of all Mennonite colleges.

A / PAUL FRIESEN



B / PAT MCFARLANE

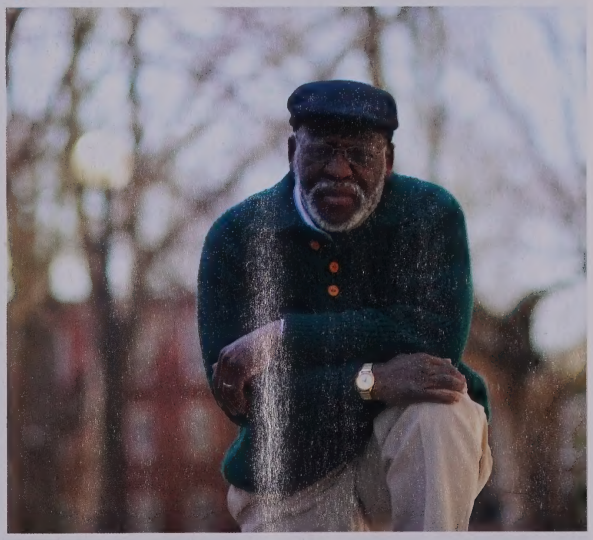
A / **PAUL FRIESEN** / HESSTON '42 / **U. OF WICHITA, MS '58 & FORT HAYS STATE U., MS '60** / HESSTON & BETHEL, professor emeritus of art / Became interested in art as a teen-ager, especially in wood sculpture, at Woodstock School in India while his parents were missionaries there prior to World War II. Founded the art department at Hesston in 1957. Collaborated with Robert Regier, professor emeritus of art at nearby Bethel College, so that both professors taught art classes at Bethel and Hesston 1965-1978. Hesston's Friesen Center for the Visual Arts, a $2 million building, opened last fall. B / **PAT MCFARLANE** / EMU, BA '74 / **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, MA '76** / GOSHEN, associate professor of communication / Was introduced to theater at EMU by her English professor, Jay B. Landis; she then pursued it further at Georgetown U. / During college spent summers in Lancaster, Pa., acting in the "Dutch Family Festival," written by fellow EMU alum Merle Good (now co-owner of Good Books). / Collaborated with Goshen undergrads in 2005 on 60-minute documentary "Living Water…Living Faith," focused on the stories of "Mennonite women of color," which is also the topic of her PhD dissertation, now in progress. This topic is inspired, in part, by her own experience as the wife of a Jamaican of African descent and the mother of two bi-racial young adults.

4/ Place to make life-shaping choices

For better or for worse, one's college experience has a huge impact on one's entire life. The reputation of Mennonite-college alumni for working hard and smart, and for being honest and caring, serves future graduates well. As examples, pre-med graduates from Mennonite colleges enjoy an acceptance rate into medical school far above the national average. Over the last decade our alumni have enjoyed a placement rate approaching 100% within a year of graduation, with 90% employed in their field of study. Then there is the marriage matter: Many joke about the high marriage rate among graduates of Mennonite colleges, but statistically these marriages do have *a great chance of succeeding,* probably because of the partners' shared values, backed by a supportive network of faith community, family and friends.

A / BARBARA & JOHN FAST

B / LEE ROY BERRY

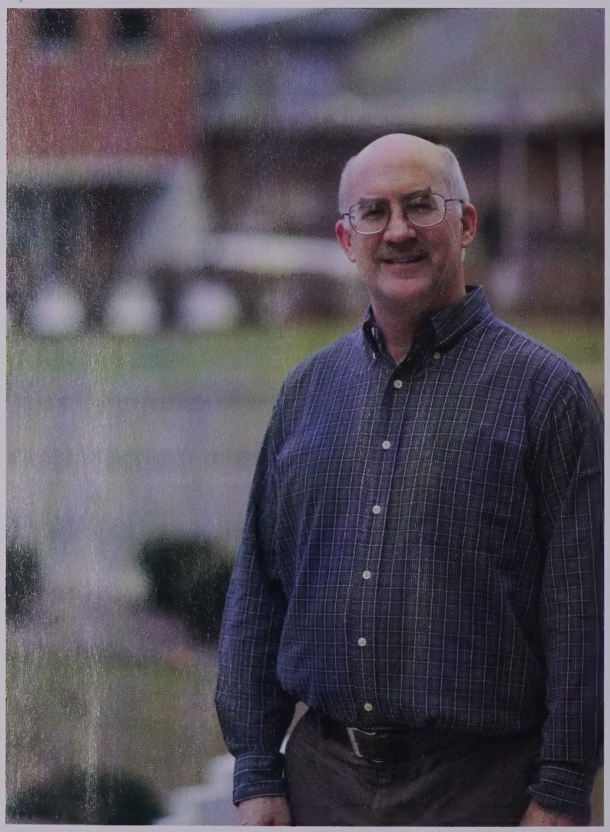


A / BARBARA & JOHN FAST / BETHEL, BAs IN LATE '60S / JAMES MADISON U., MFA (BARBARA); INDIANA U., MM (JOHN) / EMU, she teaches visual art, he teaches organ, piano and music theory / Barbara: "I sort of had my eye on him in high school because he was known to be a very fine musician." John: "The first weekend she was at Bethel, I took her to Shakee's Pizza Parlor in Wichita. That's what we did for fun then." / Barbara: "EMU was looking for an organ professor in 1975, and John was offered the position. In our mind, we were coming to a very conservative place – our friends were Bethel or Goshen grads." John: "There were differences between the schools and the traditions backing each, but these have largely disappeared. The young generation is scarcely aware of them, and that's a good thing." / After 30 years among colleagues who came and went overseas, the Fasts did a stint in 2008 for Mennonite Central Committee in Cairo, Egypt, where they taught English at the Coptic Orthodox Church. B / LEE ROY BERRY / EMU, BA '66 / NOTRE DAME, MA '69, PHD '76 / INDIANA U. JD '84 / GOSHEN, part-time political science professor / From a 02/18/09 article in the *Goshen College Record* by Sarah Rich: As a boy, Berry traveled from Florida to Ohio every summer with his parents and seven siblings, chasing the seasonal crops to his parents' boss' home state. Starting at age 8, Berry joined his parents in the fields in the summer and on Saturdays, pulling radishes, skinning onions and weeding, even in the rain. "I was aware of the stigma that we, as migrant kids, had," said Berry. Berry saw how his father abused his mother and how she, in turn, abused him. Berry said that even as an adolescent he 'wanted a life that was better.' In 1961, Berry graduated from a segregated Sarasota (Fla.) high school. The segregated school hadn't offered him a very good education, but Berry had a keen desire to improve his position in the world. When it came time for his teachers to identify talented and potentially college-bound students, Berry's name was brought up. The news circulated quickly in New Town Gospel Chapel Mennonite Church. "When my preacher heard me talk about going to college, he almost fell off his bench," Berry said. This same pastor eventually encouraged Berry to look into Eastern Mennonite College in Harrisonburg, Va. Berry received his bachelor's degree in history there. After Berry graduated, he went into voluntary service. He worked at a summer day camp in Cleveland run by a woman named Beth Hostetler. Raised in a white, Republican, middle-class Ohio family, Hostetler did not exactly share Berry's upbringing. The two got married in 1969. In the years that followed, Berry moved to Goshen, began teaching political science at Goshen College, continued to work on his Ph.D. at the University of Notre Dame and became a father to Joe, Malinda and Anne Berry. In 1984, Berry got his law degree from Indiana University and now works as a local attorney, in addition to teaching.

5/ You can't go wrong here

Of course, you *can* go wrong in a Mennonite college, but *folks will notice and care* and try to help you – it's a common advantage of small Christian colleges. Thus you are less likely to "go wrong." And you are more likely to achieve the goals you set for yourself. Harvard-educated, penta-lingual Paul A. Keim, who has taught at six colleges and been dean at two, says: "What I usually tell students who aspire to be academics is that they can have the best of both worlds by doing their undergraduate work at a Mennonite school and then getting their graduate degree from a research institute."

A / DON HOOLEY



B / ABBY MILLER

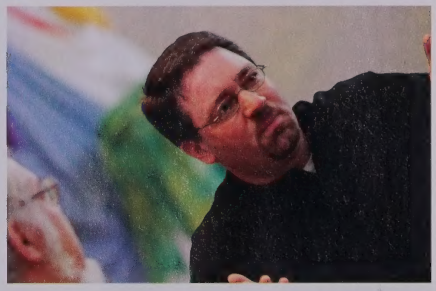
A / DON HOOLEY / EMU, BA '77 / U. OF IOWA, PHD '88 / BLUFFTON, math professor / Has lived and taught in Nigeria, India and Honduras. / "At Iowa, my major professor was available to me, but there was such pressure to publish, you hardly saw the other professors in their offices, beyond their weekly hour of scheduled in-office time. Here the doors to our offices are open." B / ABBY MILLER / HESSTON, AA '07 / BETHEL senior, majoring in communications arts / Graduated from Bethany Christian High School in Indiana, close to Goshen College, but opted to head to Kansas to attend Hesston for first two years and Bethel for the last two years. (Her brother went to Goshen.) / "My parents really wanted me to go to a Mennonite college, at least for my first couple of years. But I wasn't sure. After graduating from a Mennonite high school, I wondered, 'Do I need more Mennonite education?' But college turned out to be so different from high school.... Hesston was great for me, because I am a very social person – it's like going to church camp all year within a setting of quality academics. Bethel was a great next step for me. I got an attractive financial aid package, and it's so pretty and so nice and so welcoming. Besides, I like the diversity here and the variety of perspectives – and that you decide on your own what you believe."

6/ Can we be of service?

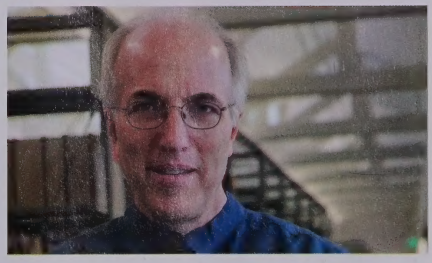
Virtually all faculty members, as well as many of the administrators and staffers, have done extensive voluntary service, always on the local level but usually internationally as well, often under demanding cross-cultural conditions with Mennonite Central Committee. They infuse the campus with their *humble service ethos* and global perspective. Students are encouraged to combine service with leadership. As a result, some grads have ended up at the head of United Nations agencies in Switzerland, while others have ended up at the front of a one-room schoolhouse in Indiana or Sierra Leone. All forms of serving and leading are equally valued.

A / RANDY KEELER

B / BOB YODER



C / J. NELSON KRAYBILL



A / **RANDY KEELER** / BLUFFTON, BA '80 / EMU SEMINARY, MDIV '86 / FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, DMIN '08 / BLUFFTON, assistant professor of religion / Started on his path to youth ministry just out of his undergraduate studies, doing voluntary service with inner city youth in the Boys' Clubs of Fresno, Calif., 1981-83. / "In the 1990s, I was challenged to develop a youth ministry major that was distinctively Anabaptist at Bluffton. The first class majoring in youth ministry graduated in 2000. Currently we have 28 students in the youth ministry program. Last year we graduated five: two are doing full-time youth ministry in Methodist churches; one is working as a 'parent' in a school for delinquents, and two are in mission service." / Was Bluffton's campus pastor from 1990 to 2005, as well as men's soccer coach at Bluffton for 10 years. / "I've always seen my calling as being to encourage young adults to go into ministry. I don't see myself as an academic. I see myself as a practitioner. I try to teach in a pastoral way." / Keeler believes Bluffton's underlying frameswork is similar to that of the other Mennonite colleges: (1) discipleship, (2) community of faith, and (3) peace and nonviolence. B / **BOB YODER** / EMU, BS '94 / AMBS, MDIV '01 / WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, DMIN '07 / GOSHEN, campus minister / "I resisted the Anabaptist identity. I went to a public school, where I was a bit ostracized for being different – after all, my mother wore a prayer bonnet and such. I kept thinking, 'There's bigger and better things than this Mennonite thing.' At EMU, Yoder focused on pre-medical studies. But instead of entering medical school immediately, he detoured to work at the Laurelville Mennonite Church Center (Mount Pleasant, Pa.), to serve as the first pastor of a church plant, New Life Mennonite Church in Somerset, Pa., and to participate in a Christian Peacemaker Team delegation to the West Bank and Israel. In so doing, Yoder got hooked on ministry. C / **J. NELSON KRAYBILL** / GOSHEN, BA '78 / PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, MDIV '83 / UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (VIRGINIA), PHD '92 / AMBS, outgoing president / With wife Ellen, he has taught or done mission work in Uruguay, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Korea, Japan, and the United Kingdom. / Professors at Goshen encouraged him – a young man raised on a Lancaster, Pa., farm in a traditional Mennonite family – to study at the U. of Barcelona, Spain, for a year. Kraybill's six siblings – Leona, Elvin, Eugene, Dave, Ron and Leon – have led extremely varied lives as: theologian (Nelson), psychiatric nurse in Pa., lawyer in Pa., information systems analyst in NY, economist-director of African Studies Program at Ohio State University, peace professor-consultant-writer in Israel, and physician in Lancaster, Pa. Some went to Goshen, others to EMU, most spent time overseas, and all earned graduate degrees.

7 / Caring for all of God's creation

Mennonite colleges have long stood for frugality – which translated into energy conservation and other environmentally friendly practices – but lately they have come to understand that God's Creation should not be despoiled. We humans need to work to keep species from disappearing, water and air from being polluted, and the earth's climate from changing. Our God-given resources should be used wisely and justly, not benefiting some to the detriment of the majority. Our colleges now teach and try to model being "green" and caring for all creation, animate and inanimate.

B / MATTHEW SIDERHURST

A / LUKE GASCHO

A / LUKE GASCHO / EMU, BS '74 / NOVA SOUTHEASTERN U., EDD '99 / Became director in 1997 of Goshen College's 1,189-acre Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center, 28 miles southeast of campus. / Brought decades of experience in educational leadership and strategic planning to the job of figuring out what to do with more than a thousand acres of land that Lee and Mary Jane Rieth donated to Goshen College in 1980 for conservation and educational purposes. / Merry Lea encompasses a range of geological and ecological features, including wetlands, bogs, lakeshores, upland and lowland forests, prairies, meadows, marl pit, and glacially formed gravel ridge. / It now hosts thousands of visits from schoolchildren every year, with Goshen College students often serving as guides and educators-in-training. / In recent years, college students have been able to live in a cluster of new buildings called Rieth Village, largely powered by a windmill, solar panels, and geothermal climate control system. The village (pictured above) serves as a model of sustainable construction – they were the first buildings in Indiana to meet the highest "platinum level" under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system. / Gascho travels widely, speaking to church, college, community, and environmental groups on how Christians can put their faith into practice on "creation care" issues. He is also a prolific writer. His latest work, 176-page *Creation Care: Keepers of the Earth* (2008), is a user-friendly guide to the spiritual basis for environmental stewardship. It shows how people's choices affect air and water quality, energy use, and the climate, while also impacting their global neighbors. / Gascho: "Many of the environmental issues we're facing are deeply rooted in money and materialism. Our task is to seek and then practice a way of life that truly represents our respect for the natural order of creation and justice for all people." / On the broader college level, Gascho has chaired Goshen's strategic planning committee for the last eight years; in 2003-04, Gascho involved 300 people over nine months throughout the system in thinking about and planning for Goshen's future. One result of the process: Goshen's decision to launch its first two graduate programs – an MS in nursing and an MA in environmental education. **B / MATTHEW SIDERHURST / GOSHEN, BA '99 / COLORADO STATE U, PHD '04 / EMU,** assistant professor of chemistry (pictured in the EMU greenhouse) / After receiving PhD, did postdoctoral research with the USDA-ARS-PBARC in Hilo, Hawaii, working to identify attractants for several economically important invasive insects. / Currently maintains research collaborations with USDA scientists in Hawaii./ Will be taking three students to Hawaii to research control methods for an invasive fire ant in the summer of 2009. / Has received over $125,000 in grant money to do chemical ecology projects with eight students. / "A huge reason I am where I am is because of the handful of profs at Goshen who engaged me in class and in research." / "Having colleagues who appreciate how faith intersects with peace and justice, and the choice of leading a simple lifestyle … this has to be at the top of my list of positives for working at EMU." / Beginning in the fall of 2009, EMU will be offering a new Environmental Sustainability major; related information at www.emu.edu/begreen.

8/ Peace & social justice as core values

People educated at Mennonite colleges are known worldwide for enabling people to *address conflicts with dialogue and relationship building,* rather than with weapons or other forms of force. This often leads to addressing the roots of the conflict – most often, conditions that cause people to feel victimized or hopeless. Starting with self-transformation, ideally peace ripples out to those immediately around us and further, finally reaching people very different from us. In this way, we can be vehicles for God's unconditional love and try to live up to the statement, "Blessed are the peacemakers." (Matthew 5:9)

A / RUDI KAUFFMAN

B / ANNETTE SELEYIAN LOLCHOKI

A / **RUDI KAUFFMAN** / EMU, BA '01 / **U. OF CINCINNATI, PHD CANDIDATE** / **BLUFFTON,** assistant professor of restorative justice / Kauffman: "Does 'just war' have outcomes that are more just or less just? In researching my dissertation, I found an inverse correlation. 'Just war' is an oxymoron." / As an undergraduate at EMU, did a lot of 21-credit-hour semesters in order to complete three majors – justice, peace & conflict studies; history; sociology – while minoring in economics and political science. / Takes cross-discipline approach in studying and advocating for new approaches to criminal justice that are restorative rather than punitive. / After earning an MA at Quaker-founded Earlham College in Indiana, started his teaching career in a one-room schoolhouse where he taught 6th, 7th and 8th grades simultaneously, which "very nearly killed me." / As doctoral student gave presentations on government-initiated cybersecurity. / In current position, wrestles with relationship between educating aspiring police officers and restorative justice.

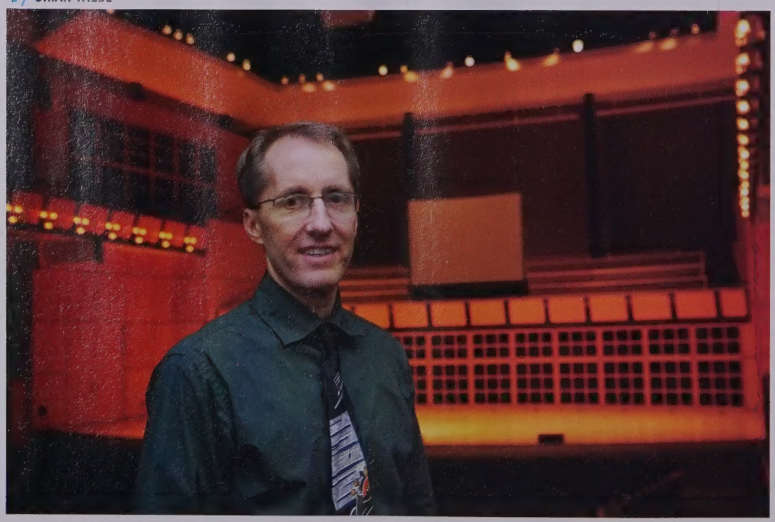
B / **ANNETTE SELEYIAN LOLCHOKI** / EMU senior, majoring in math / Came to EMU from her home country of Kenya after learning about it from a Kenyan whose daughter completed an EMU degree. / "One thing I will take from EMU is how I view the world. I don't think fighting back is the answer. We need to try to look at other means of resolving conflict, like dialogue, instead of retaliating." / "Humility is another thing I've learned here, like not going around buying expensive things just because you have the means to buy them. It is better to use wealth to help others." / "One of the hardest things for me to get used to was calling professors and older people by their first names. I have lived all my life referring to older people with terms that show respect. I still show respect for my professors, even if I have learned to call them by their first names. I show respect in my tone of voice." / "I love math. My long-term view is to go home and encourage other Masaii girls to boost their performances in math. If I can do it, they can do it too!"

9/ Whole (holistic) people

Our colleges are small enough that *folks can and do stray far beyond the lines of their discipline.* An English professor may collaborate with an environmental science professor on a project. You may find a chemistry professor in a lead role of a major campus production, or a physical plant worker in a choir. Professors may be found cheering for their students playing football, basketball, or other games, or chatting with them over meals. If you're a pre-med major, you can drop into the ceramics lab and throw some pots for relaxation. Or pray in the arboretum. Or play intramurals at midnight. And in chapel and church, you can sit among the entire community – those who clean and maintain the buildings beside those who study and teach in them – and worship as one body of Christ.

A / JUNE ALLIMAN YODER

B / BRIAN WIEBE



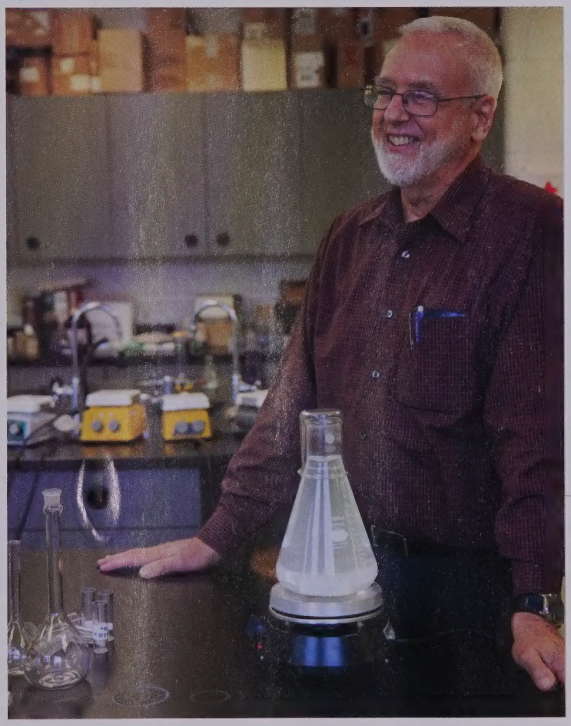
A / JUNE ALLIMAN YODER / GOSHEN, BA '67 / AMBS, MDIV '88 / BETHANY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, DMIN '91 / AMBS, professor of communication and preaching / Was one of the first Mennonites to get an advanced degree in theater by earning a master's degree in the subject from the University of Iowa in 1970 / "I remember the phone call I made to my parents when I told them I was accepted into the [U. of Iowa] theater program. There was a long pause, a long silence, and then my dad said, 'Well, we don't understand this, but we trust you.'" / Next Yoder decided she wanted to be a preacher at a time when the Mennonite church did not have women in pastoral leadership roles, so she pursued and obtained MDiv and DMin degrees. Again, her parents were baffled but ultimately accepting. / Today she is widely recognized as a mentor and teacher of preachers, using her theater training to help preachers literally unglue their arms from their sides and use their whole bodies in being in the pulpit and spreading the Word. / Yoder bemoans the simplistic "Sunday school faith" of many people with advanced academic degrees – "they have a university-level understanding of their academic discipline, but a grade-school understanding of their faith." / On reasons for attending a Mennonite college: "If you just want chemistry, you can get chemistry anywhere. If you just want Shakespeare, you can get Shakespeare wherever you go. You can get quality teaching wherever you go. But you can't get the same quality of interaction between professors and students. And you can't get the same quality of people doing the teaching." B / BRIAN WIEBE / BETHEL, BA '85 / NORTHWESTERN U., MM '87 / GOSHEN, executive director of the Goshen Music Center (pictured in background) / Was hired in 2001 when Goshen College's splendid $17 million performance, recital and classroom center was half-way constructed. / "They said the sound of the train whistle [the campus is bisected by a train track] would not be audible inside the concert hall. Early one morning I heard the train coming. I quickly hopped on my bike, pedaled here, ran inside, shut all the doors and waited to see if I could hear the train whistle." (He didn't.) / "Mennonite institutions have been leaders in 'living more with less' and in 'creation care' generally. All of them emphasize compassionate peacemaking. Beyond our traditional Mennonite constituency, I see interest growing exponentially in the values we hold. The world is coming our way."

10/ Relationship building, usually community based

Most of us live in close proximity to each other and care about each other, offering mutual support beyond the classroom. *We are a community*. We are accountable to each other, committed to working through conflicts respectfully and peacefully. Viewing ourselves as "brothers and sisters in God's service," we tend to use first names and to have egalitarian relationships rather than hierarchical ones. Peacebuilders trained in our colleges start with building relationships across whatever "enemy" lines they encounter, whether ethnic, religious, political, or military. Newcomers tend to be welcomed with relationship-building activities. In our sports teams, players get beyond differences of beliefs, backgrounds, skill, race, and scholastic ability to forge tight teams who become family to each other.

A / DEB ROTH

B / JIM YODER



C / VAL HERSHBERGER, GARY CHUPP & JEWEL LEHMAN

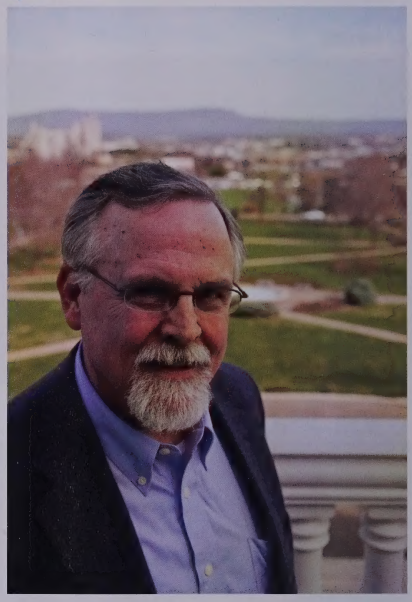
A / DEB ROTH / HESSTON, AA '83 / GOSHEN, BA '85 / HESSTON, director of ACCESS (Academic Center for College Excellence & Student Success) / "When a student leaves Hesston, there is almost a 'Hesston withdrawal period.' It's a period of adjusting, of letting go of two years that were so good. " B / JIM YODER / HESSTON, AA '62 / GOSHEN, BA '64 / INDIANA U., PHD '69 / HESSTON, chemistry professor / Major roles in two dozen Hesston productions, including *Twelfth Night, A Midsummer's Night Dream, The Bourgeois Gentleman* and *A Christmas Carol.* / Two teaching stints in Swaziland, one as a Fulbright scholar. / "Happily I am aware that I can no longer tell from my class rosters, or from race or other appearance, who is Mennonite and who isn't." C / VAL HERSHBERGER / HESSTON, AA '82 / EMU, BA '84 / JAMES MADISON U., MS '96 / GOSHEN, associate professor of physical education / "It sounds like a cliché, but it is really true that the biggest distinctive [of Mennonite colleges] is their sense of community. In a place like this, you get up every day and look forward to going to work with your colleagues." GARY CHUPP / EMU, BA '87 / GOSHEN, assistant professor of physical education / "The majority of the players I recruit are not Mennonites, but they do feel part of a family here – a basketball family. We act as a support group to each other." JEWEL LEHMAN / EMU, BA '84 / U. OF NORTH CAROLINA-GREENSBORO, EDD '03 / GOSHEN, associate professor and department chair of physical education & secondary education / Wide experience beyond Menno colleges: James Madison U., where she got her master's and was an assistant volleyball coach; Baptist-founded Campbell U., where she was volleyball coach; Methodist-linked Greensboro College, where she taught P.E.; and UNCG, where she earned her doctorate. "Each has its positive aspects" – positives of Mennonite colleges include their "work ethic" and "student-centered ethos."

11 / Global vision

Mennonite college folks think that living, working, learning and serving outside of one's own culture enables us to see that people different from ourselves are our brothers and sisters in the sight of God, whether we share their nationality, religion or any other feature. The majority of the faculty members at Mennonite colleges have extensive international experience. Many students – most students on some our campuses – spend a semester or more outside of their home cultures. *Insular and provincial? No way!* Not even if our locations are rural.

A / FLORINA IMMACULATE MARY BENOIT & G. "ASHOK" GLADSTON XAVIER

B / DON CLYMER

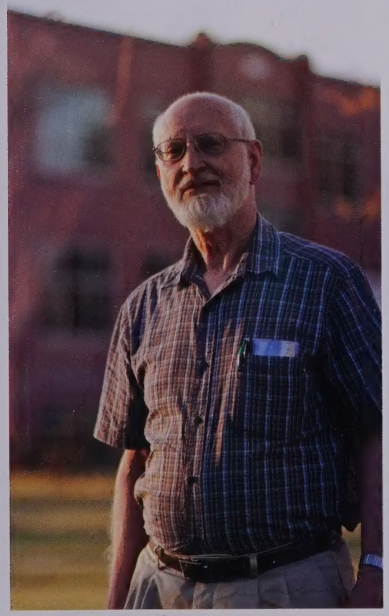


A / **FLORINA IMMACULATE MARY BENOIT** / EMU, MA '04 / **OSMANIA U. (HYDERABAD, INDIA), PHD '08** / Benoit and her husband "Ashok" (at right) were among nine Fulbright students from Asia who completed master's degrees in conflict transformation at EMU's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding in 2004. / Upon returning to her home region in the southern sector of India, Benoit entered a PhD in social work program. For her doctoral research, she collaborated with Ashok (also pursuing a PhD), and one other academic to document, for the first time ever, the humiliating conditions under which Sri Lankan Tamil refugees live in camps in Tamil Nadu, an area of India adjacent to Sri Lanka. Now a "doctor," she is Assistant Manager of Industrial Social Work at Loyola College in Chennai. **G. "ASHOK" GLADSTON XAVIER** / EMU, MA '04 / **LOYOLA COLLEGE (CHENNAI, INDIA),** senior lecturer in social work and PhD candidate / Spends mornings and early afternoons teaching and supervising 80 students at Loyola College. In the late afternoon and evening, he and Florina volunteer at the Organization for Eelam Refugee Rehabilitation (OfERR), through which they offer extensive trainings in support of Tamil refugees. They have pioneered the use of dramatic techniques – called "play-back theater" – in their trainings. / The couple travels frequently to Sri Lanka – where hundreds of thousands have been harmed by war – as well as to other parts of the world (about two dozen trips annually outside of India) for trainings and presentations. / Ashok: "Our work in Sri Lanka is in the area of building local capacities for peace and inter-religious education." B / **DON CLYMER** / HESSTON, AA '73 / GOSHEN, BA '75 / EMU SEMINARY, MACL '08 / **WICHITA STATE U., MA '79** / EMU, assistant professor of language and literature / Has taught Spanish, German and Latin American studies at Hesston / Served with Mennonite Central Committee in Guatemala in 1976 and Mexico 1986-1989. Also with Eastern Mennonite Board of Missions in Honduras 1968-1970 and in 1973. / "Where I grew up, people thought, 'You go to college and you lose your faith.' What I find ironic is that students who go to Mennonite colleges are more likely to stay in the church. That's what happened with me and my 10 siblings. Of the five who went to Mennonite colleges, four remained in the Mennonite church [80%]. Of the six who didn't go to Mennonite colleges, only two remained in the church [33%]." / Of the 20 students on the 2007 EMU cross-cultural to Guatemala and Mexico, which Clymer and his wife Esther led, half intend to go into voluntary-type service in the future.

12 / Living & working as Jesus taught

Jesus lived very, very simply, reaching out to those who were poor, rejected and suffering. He prayed. He asked for forgiveness for those who sinned. He performed miracles. He rejected worldly wealth. He suffered in the face of violence, asking that we love our enemies and turn the other cheek. *At Mennonite colleges, there is a heartfelt desire to live and work as Jesus did,* though we confess to falling short to living up to this desire.

A / MARION BONTRAGER



B / LOREN L. JOHNS

C / LEE F. SNYDER

A / MARION BONTRAGER / HESSTON, AA '57 / GOSHEN, BA '59 / GOSHEN BIBLICAL SEMINARY (NOW AMBS), MDIV '63 / HESSTON, professor in Bible and ministry department / "I work for the Mennonite church, but I happen to teach at Hesston. One of my goals is for students to become biblically literate. All are required to take the course 'Introduction to Biblical Literature,' which I created. In pre-tests, fewer than 10 students out of 115 knew the books of the Bible. I teach the Bible as drama, as narrative story. We would be very concerned if students left here without a love for the Bible and a commitment to the Word." B / LOREN L. JOHNS / GOSHEN, BA '77 / GOSHEN BIBLICAL SEMINARY (NOW AMBS), MDIV '84 / PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, PHD '98 / AMBS, associate professor of New Testament / Taught Bible at Bluffton from 1993-2000, while coordinating its peace and conflict studies program, 1998-2000. / In high school, Johns had a teacher who undermined his faith, leading Johns as a teenager to believe his only choice was between being honest or being a Christian. This caused Johns to arrive at Goshen College "having rejected my faith." / "I had some really good conversations my freshman year about why my friends continued to believe and why I did not." Over time, though, "I thought I could see God working in my friends' lives and that was a bit bothersome to me." / Stanley C. Shenk, one of Johns' professors at Goshen, "had a style of considering critical issues that attracted me. He didn't ignore the questions, nor was he afraid of considering them seriously." / Within the supportive environment offered by Goshen, "I had a conversion experience that was more profound than the baptism I had at age 11. God blessed me with a sense of joy and peace." C / LEE F. SNYDER / U. OF OREGON, BA '72 / JAMES MADISON U., MA '74 / U. OF OREGON, PHD '85 / BLUFFTON, president, 1996-'06 / EMU, academic dean, 1984-'96; v-p, 1987-'96; interim provost, 2008-'09 / In a keynote speech to the Mennonite Health Assembly on 03/30/07, Snyder noted that during World War II, rather than take up weapons, many Mennonites joined the Civilian Public Service. Some were sent to work in mental hospitals. Dr. Paul W. Pruyser, a Menninger Foundation executive, made the following observations about the Mennonite workers in mental hospitals (as cited by Snyder): They had "an abhorrence of violence and cruelty, an acquired sense of responsibility for the welfare of others, a cordial team spirit, a modest self-appraisal, and a sober lifestyle that stimulated community feeling rather than personal fulfillment of brilliance… They… fulfilled their service obligation as a mission – a peace mission, a human betterment mission rather than an evangelistic outreach campaign." / Snyder believes Mennonite institutions continue to do a remarkable job of nurturing these qualities, not just in the classroom but in all the ways that Christian service is performed, modeled and taught. B

THANKS FOR 138 YEARS OF SERVICE!

These five teaching faculty members together represent 138 years of dedicated service to the mission and the students of Goshen College:

Fern Brunner '62 is retiring as associate professor of nursing. She has taught courses in psychiatric/mental health nursing, nursing leadership and introduction to professional nursing, and has been instrumental in shaping curriculum. Brunner joined the faculty in 1989 and served the campus community for 20 years. Send her a note at: fernlb@goshen.edu.

Carl Helrich is retiring as professor of physics. He has taught courses such as physical world, thermodynamics, quantum mechanics, classical field theory and senior seminar. Helrich has also led in creating two ongoing programs: the Maple Scholars summer research program and the annual Religion and Science conference. He joined the faculty in 1985, led an SST unit in Germany and served the campus community for 24 years. Send him a note at: carlsh@goshen.edu.

Vic Koop is retiring as professor of psychology. He has taught courses such as general psychology, developmental psychology, abnormal psychology, personality theory and contemporary viewpoints. Koop joined the faculty in 1982 and served the campus community for 27 years. Send him a note at: victorrk@goshen.edu.

Ron Milne '67 is retiring as professor of mathematics. He and his wife Reference and Instruction Librarian Sally Jo – who is also retiring after 25 years of service to the college – have led SST units in Haiti, Ivory Coast and Indonesia, and will lead one to Senegal in 2010. Milne has taught courses throughout the mathematics curriculum with a focus on students who would become elementary teachers and secondary teachers of mathematics. He was involved in the introduction of computers into the mathematics curriculum in the 1990s. Milne joined the faculty in 1976 and served the campus community for 33 years. Send him a note at: ronjm@goshen.edu.

Judy Wenig-Horswell is retiring as associate professor of art. She has taught courses in jewelry-making, drawing, design, humanities and art history, and has helped lead Arts in London for many years. She created the presidential medal worn by Goshen College presidents on special ceremonial occasions. Wenig-Horswell joined the faculty in 1975 and served the campus community for 34 years. Send her a note at: judymw@goshen.edu.

Photo (left to right): Fern Brunner, Vic Koop, Carl Helrich, Ron Milne and Judy Wenig-Horswell

ALUMNI CROSSINGS

Kelli Burkholder King '77
irector of Alumni Relations

CELEBRATING THE COMMON TRAITS OF SISTER SCHOOLS

In April I attended Eastern Mennonite University's (EMU) 2009 graduation. Yes, correct, I attended this special event to watch my son graduate from our sister college. Although he hadn't attended Goshen College – my own alma mater – my husband, John, and I were thankful and thrilled that he was graduating from a Mennonite college.

My family is a blend of EMU and Goshen alumni. Both my parents attended EMU and GC, as did my husband and several of his brothers. And I have very good friends who graduated from other sister institutions of Mennonite higher education – Bethel College, Bluffton University and Hesston College.

The article, "Traits of Mennonite Colleges" (pp. 19-31), illustrates the cross fertilization between, and benefits of, Mennonite colleges, universities and seminaries. In many cases the schools are competing for the same students, yet we are still thankful even if a student chooses another Mennonite school over our own. The larger church – for which we are all working – benefits from that decision. As this article demonstrates so clearly, we all have so much in common in terms of the education and experiences that we offer to students.

Recently, I was talking to some new Goshen graduates and asked them about their experiences in college, especially what they received here that they wouldn't have at a non-Mennonite institution. Here are a few things that I heard:

- "I feel like I am becoming part of the vine; part of the living, active community." This graduate emphasized the important networking opportunities this "vine" offers her as soon as she is out in the world.
- Being part of this community, no matter where you go, provides a sense of safety and security that allows you to reach out to others more effectively. Because you are "grounded" and supported you can jump right in and share your gifts in your service or work.
- The relationships established during college years, with both students and faculty, will likely be lifelong and establishes a connection that can easily be reconnected later in life.

What struck me about the comments that I heard was how they apply to all of our students – Mennonite or not. And I know that these benefits cut across all Mennonite higher education institutions. There will always be healthy competition for our traditional pool of Mennonite students, but we celebrate in the success of all graduates from all Mennonite colleges and universities.

WEIGH IN ON ALUMNI CONSTITUTION CHANGES

The Executive Board of the Alumni Association of Goshen College invites all alumni to vote on two proposed amendments to the *Alumni Constitution**. The proposed changes, to become effective Jan. 1, 2010, allow for more flexibility in the number of members on the Executive Board. The Constitution currently requires exactly 25 members, but this has not always been practical. The amendments propose the following changes in parentheses:

1. Article IV: "The association shall be directed by a 25-member (change to: 19-25) board that represents the alumni body and shall be comprised of two officers, 16 (change to: 10-16) other members from strategic geographic locations, three members-at-large, a representative of each of the three most recent graduating classes, and one adult degree completion grad."
2. Article IV b: "Six (change to: Four to six) members shall be selected each year, each to serve a three-year term."

To vote:

Any alum of Goshen College (definition provided on the Web site) may vote online at http://mygc.goshen.edu/alumni/Alumni_Online/voting. Or, if you prefer, contact the Alumni Office at (574) 535-7565 to request a ballot by mail. All ballots must be received by midnight, Dec 31, 2009.

* *Under Article IX of the Constitution, the Constitution may be amended upon the affirmative vote of three quarters of the voting Association members. Read more about the Alumni Association at: www.goshen.edu/alumni/Alumni_Association.*

HOMECOMING AT GOSHEN, OCT. 2-4, 2009

We warmly invite you to visit Goshen College during Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 2-4, 2009. You'll experience music, the alumni breakfast, art exhibits, class reunions, and "First Friday," Goshen's monthly downtown festival, featuring several Goshen College events. On campus you'll be treated to an array of workshops by GC professors, focusing on the environment. If you haven't visited the Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center lately, join the Saturday afternoon field trip to learn about and hike through some of Indiana's most beautiful prairie and wetlands. For more information call (574) 535-7565.

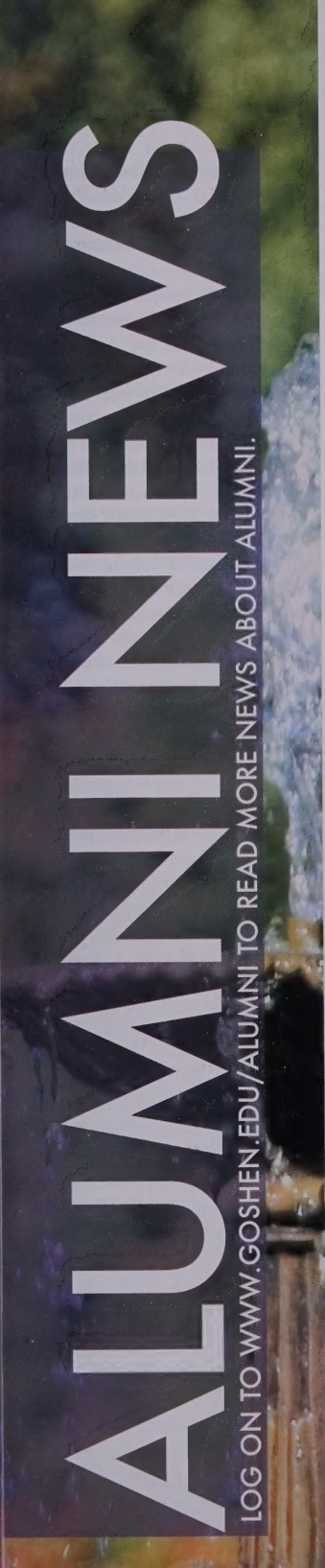
UPCOMING REGIONAL ALUMNI EVENTS

- Portland, Ore., Saturday, Oct. 24
- Asheville, N.C., Friday, Oct. 30
- Raleigh, N.C., Saturday, Oct. 31
- Weddington, N.C., Sunday, Nov. 1

For more information about the gatherings, visit www.goshen.edu/alumni or call the Alumni Office at (574) 535-7565.

BECOME A FACEBOOK FAN OF GC

Are you on Facebook? Are you a fan of GC? If so, then take the next step and join the 1,600-plus others who have become a fan of Goshen College on Facebook at: **www.facebook.com/goshencollege**.



NEWS 1930-39

Roscoe Miller '39, Sugarcreek, Ohio, retired in 1977 after teaching 21 years and working as a principal for 19 years.

DEATHS

Walter L. Boshart '35, Atoka, Tenn., died Feb. 27.

Dorothy Alvera Book Ebersole '37, wife of **Everett R. Ebersole '37**, 408 Maple Ave., Morrison, IL 61270, died April 28.

Frieda E. Enns '36, Shelburne, Vt., died Sept. 29, 2008.

John A. Friesen '38, Goshen, died March 20.

Emanuel C. Hertzler '38, Granger, Ind., died Jan. 28.

Marvin E. Hostetler '35, husband of Doris Hostetler, 333 E. Sassafras St., Apt. 503, Orrville, OH 44667, died Nov. 26.

Marigrace Krutz Huntley '30, Lakewood, Wash., died Feb. 20.

Viola Welty Keim '39 and her husband Walter W. Keim, Goshen, died Dec. 14, from injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Harold D. Miller '36, Wakarusa, Ind., died Jan. 8.

Velma Johns Miller '36, wife of Arthur D. Miller, Orrville, Ohio, died March 12.

Louida Leinbach Mishler '36, Goshen, died April 27.

Ruth Smeltzer Newcomer '38, Wakarusa, Ind., died April 13.

Aaron D. Nice '38, Morrison, Ill., died March 31.

Raymond A. Oswald '36, husband of Esther Oswald, 5135 Menno Place, Sarasota, FL 34232, died Jan. 1.

Polly G. Oyer '35, Goshen, died May 5.

Mildred Lee Renn '38, Elkhart, Ind., died Nov. 25.

Amos Zehr '34, husband of Elizabeth Zehr, Fort Wayne, Ind., died Oct. 3.

NEWS 1940-49

Helen Witmer Burkholder '49 and Joe Burkholder, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, moved into Tabor Apartments in June 2008, a senior living apartment. They continue as members of The Gideons and helping in their church's ESL program. Helen has been volunteering for 15 years with Community Support Services of Niagara.

Paul A. Friesen '46 and Wilma Friesen, Hesston, Kan., continue to live in the Lake Vista Independent Living community of Schowalter Villa. The Hesston Wellness Center provided him with ceramics studio space. He offers an eight-week course, "Explorations in Clay."

Alfred L. Keller '40, Clemson, S.C., retired after 58 years as pastor in the Evangelical Church, the Evangelical United Brethren Church and the United Methodist Church. He suffered a stroke in 2006 and now lives in an assisted living facility.

Eli S. Schmucker '40, Goshen, ended a term as pastor at Family Worship Center at the Lighthouse, Goshen, on Nov. 30.

Peter B. Wiebe '49, Glendale, Ariz., chairs the Capital Campaign Cabinet of Mennonite Mission Network and serves as special events speaker.

Elsie Birkey Yoder '41, Adair, Okla., celebrated her 90th birthday.

DEATHS

Paul M. Brenneman '48, husband of **Betty Landaw Brenneman '41**, 1129 Bay St., Elkhart, IN 46514, died Jan. 6.

Warren H. Christophel '40, Goshen, died Feb. 16.

Peg A. Detwiler '43, Tucson, Ariz., died March 20.

Herman L. Eger, husband of **Rachel Lynn Eger '49**, 57317 Clydesdale Drive, Goshen, IN 46528, died Nov. 30.

J. Lester Eshleman '45, husband of Lois Eshleman, Landis Homes, 1001 E. Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17543, died Jan. 18.

Philip E. Gingerich '41, Goshen, died Feb. 28.

Irene Hershberger '47 (faculty '47-48, '50-66), Sugarcreek, Ohio, died Feb. 25.

Velma A. Hirstein '46, Eureka, Ill., died March 17.

Edith Hoover Johns '43, wife of **Galen Johns '43**, 1801 Greencroft Blvd., Apt. 319, Goshen, IN 46526, died Feb. 7.

Ruth E. Kennel '49, Harrisonburg, Va., died Feb. 9.

James W. Kuhns '49, husband of **Olive Clemens Kuhns '49**, 1285 Shank Drive, Apt. 236, Harrisonburg, VA 22802, died March 31.

Herman J. Liechty '44, Archbold, Ohio, died Feb 21.

Mary Longanecker Lilly '44, Geneva, Ohio, died June 11, 2008. Her husband Roy Lilly died Nov. 17, 2008.

David R. Miller '48, husband of Mitzi Miller, 17866 E. Berry Drive., Centennial, CO 80015, died March 30.

Robert Miller, husband of **R. Jean Miller '47**, P.O. Box 269, Middlebury, IN 46540, died June 17, 2008.

Leda Litwiller Podbelsek '46, wife of Charles Podbelsek, N 9873 Groveside Ave., Spencer, WI 54479, died Feb. 15.

Rachel Smith Ringenberg '45, wife of **Ellsworth Kauffman '52**, 3022 E. Orme St., Wichita, KS 67211, died Dec. 2.

Kempes Y. Schnell '49, husband of Ann Parry Schnell, 918 Parkside Court, Chambersburg, PA 17201, died Jan. 15.

Lowell E. Short '46, husband of Jane Short, 452 Clover Lane, Archbold, OH 43502, died March 27.

Kathryn Mumaw Stalter '43, wife of John Stalter, 1616 Auten Court, Goshen, IN 46526, died Feb. 20.

J. Louis Stoffel, Jr., husband of **Vivian Zehr Stoffel '49**, 1801 Greencroft Blvd., Apt. 140, Goshen, IN 46526, died May 4.

Florence Stuckey '47, Leo, Ind., died Dec. 2.

Lanetia Whirledge Stutsman '49, Goshen, died March 21.

Fannie Zehr '48, Eureka, Ill., died Oct. 21.

NEWS 1950-59

Palmer J. Becker '58, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, taught leadership and pastoral care at Bethlehem Bible College in Israel.

Irma Ebersole Bowman '50 and her husband Earl Bowman, Akron, Pa., participate in volunteer activities with Mennonite Disaster Service and Lions Club.

Eugene G. Carper '51, La Verne, Calif., celebrated his 89th birthday and completed a first draft of his fourth book titled *My Three Girls*. He and his wife **Blanche Ibach Carper '51** celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary.

Esther Showalter Deal '53, Goshen, was honored by the American Association of University Women in Fort Wayne, for 50 years of membership.

Anni Dyck '58, Rodermark, Germany, has worked since 1956 writing teaching materials for children for vacation Bible school and Sunday schools. The curriculum, *Creative Bible Lessons*, was written in Indonesian and translated into English and Mandarin, where the materials

are widely used on the mainland of China. It is also being translated into seven other languages. She retired in February.

Leonard Gross '53, Goshen, has been named executive secretary emeritus of the Mennonite Church USA Historical Committee. He was executive secretary of the Historical Committee of the former Mennonite Church from 1970 to 1990 and served six years as a consulting archivist before his retirement in 1996.

Mary W. Hofer '51, Sioux Center, Iowa, lives in the assisted living apartments at Crown Pointe Retirement Center.

Margaret Meyer Irvin '52, El Sobrante, Calif., continues to teach writing classes at the senior center.

William (Bill) Klassen '52, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, co-authored *Marpeck: A Life of Dissent and Conformity*, a biography of Pilgram Marpeck, an important South German Anabaptist leader in the 16th century. This biography shows how Marpeck – perhaps more than any other early Anabaptist figure – helped lay the theoretical and practical foundations of the believers' church.

Rose Hostetler Kliewer '58, Rochester, Minn., is the founder and owner of A Brief Therapy Center of Rochester. She focuses on marital/relationship issues, family and parenting. Her daughter, **Cheryl A. Kliewer '91,** has worked with her since 1992.

Louis A. Lehman '57, Albany, Ore., conducted the cantata "David the Shepherd Boy" at Western Mennonite School and Fairview Mennonite Church with alumni and friends on June 12 and 14.

Gerald L. Miller '59, Westfield, Ind., wrote *A Hundred Camels - A Mission Doctor's Sojourn and Murder Trial in Somalia* (Cascadia Publishing House 2009) with his daughter **Shari Miller Wagner '80**, Carmel, Ind. Dr. Miller worked 42 years before retiring from the Markle Medical Center in 2006. In 1971-72 he was the only doctor at the Mennonite hospital in Jamama, Somalia. Shari teaches poetry writing for the Writers' Center of Indiana.

Mabel Guengerich Schmidt '52, Greensburg, Kan., has been living in a FEMA trailer since the tornado of April 2007 but is moving to the country to live with her son and his wife while he builds a house for her in Greensburg.

Fred J. Speckeen '53 and his wife Jean, Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, spent three weeks this past winter volunteering at a high school in Yerevan, Armenia. Fred has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Aberdeen Hall Preparatory School.

Fred Springer '56 and **Wilma Kaufman Springer '56**, Long Beach, Calif., worked with assessments for The Nation's Report Card in the Los Angeles area from January to March.

Virgil V. Vogt '54, Evanston, Ill., is half-time associate Illinois Mennonite Conference minister, serving the churches of the Chicago-land area.

Winifred Mumaw Wall '57 and her husband Elmer, Goshen, are retired.

Aden J. Yoder '53 and **Helen Kandel Yoder '53**, Goshen, plan to move to Manor IV at Greencroft Retirement Community..

Janet E. Yoder '57, Goshen, is semi-retired and works part time in the fabric department at Yoder Department Store in Shipshewana.

Velma M. Zimmerly Shoup '56 and her husband Art, Rittman, Ohio, are both retired. They are live-in managers of Crown Hill Manor.

DEATHS

Paul E. Bixler '59, husband of **Lavonne Gisel Bixler '61**, 5042 Clydesdale Lane, Saginaw, MI 48603, died Dec. 12.

Mahlon Bontrager '58, Bradenton, Fla., died Jan. 30.

Alice Reschly Davis '50, wife of Donald Davis, 904 S. 9th Ave., Washington, IA 52353, died Feb. 20.

Richard K. Fox, husband of **Lillian Amstutz Fox '56**, 6215 S. Strawtown Pike, Peru, IN 46970, died March 6.

Robert Graybill '57, husband of Sharon Graybill, 3634 N. Dakota Road, Freeport, IL 61032, died Jan. 20.

Dick Hassan '53, husband of **Hazel Nice Hassan '52**, 1300 Greencroft Drive, Apt. 203, Goshen, IN 46526, died April 28.

John Hennelly, husband of **Ann Eby Hennelly '58**, 69 Pawling St., Wabash, IN 46992, died Jan. 18.

Katherine Penner Hostetler, wife of **John D. Hostetler '50**, 208 Wheat Ridge Drive, Ephrata, PA 17522, died March 28.

Marilyn Steiner Kauffman '50, wife of **John S. Kauffman '50**, 11861 Hidden Lake Drive, Marshallville, OH 44645, died Feb. 3.

Nancy Johnson Kester '56, wife of Rev. Gordon L. Kester, 119 Outer View Circle,

TIM MARTIN '91 IN SIBERIA FOR CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH

In the Siberian tundra, alumnus **Tim Martin '91,** an earth science teacher at Greensboro (N.C.) Day School, lived and researched with an international team of scientists – from the United States, Germany, Russia and Austria – through the Polar TREC program, where K-12 teachers are paired with researchers in authentic polar research experiences. Martin was selected from applications of about 225 educators.

Martin, part of the "Geologic Climate Research in Siberia" expedition, helped scientists for a month, between March and April, conduct research at Lake El'gygytgyn, a crater lake created by a meteorite 3.6 million years ago. The lake is an important resource to researchers because it is the largest and oldest lake basin in the Arctic that is believed to be undisturbed by glaciers. The goal of the project is to better understand the role of the arctic in global climate change.

Martin's role in the expedition was to share the science with students, teachers and the general public through their Web site. To read from Martin's journal, visit: **www.polartrec.com/geologic-climate-research-in-siberia/journals/tim-martin**.

– By Tyler Falk '09

Xenia, OH 45385, died Feb. 4.

Curtis S. Lehman '53, husband of **Janice Weaver Lehman '49**, 211 Willow Valley Square, Apt. E207, Lancaster, PA 17602, died Feb. 22.

Robert C. Lehman, husband of **Ruby Swartzendruber Lehman '53**, 1264 Shank Drive, Harrisonburg, VA 22802, died Feb. 2.

Leonard J. Leichty, husband of **Carolyn Hartzler Leichty '52**, 6802 N. County Line Road E., Auburn, IN 46706, died Jan. 6.

Ruth Conrad Liechty '58, wife of **Stan E. Liechty '61**, 1568 Redbud Court, Goshen, IN 46526, died March 23.

Virginia Reese Manley '52, wife of Emmett W. Manley, 28070 County Road 24, #4202, Elkhart, IN 46516, died Dec. 7.

Lowell D. Mann '51, Elizabethtown, Pa., died Jan. 5.

Mervin L. Miller '51, husband of **Arlene Eash Miller '54**, 168 Rankin Road, Scottdale, PA 45683, died Nov. 6.

Eunice Amstutz Richard '51, wife of Elmer Richard, 5265 E. Easton Road, Creston, OH 44217, died March 24.

Norman 'Bud' T. Schrock '55, Goshen, Ind., died April 7.

Shirley Swartzendruber Sears '56, wife of **Wilmer L. Sears '52**, 505 N. Galina, Tiskilwa, IL 61368, died Feb. 20, in Sarasota, Fla.

Donald L. Smith '52, husband of **Lorraine Chapman Smith '67**, 7833 W. Jefferson Blvd., Apt. 321, Fort Wayne, IN 46804, died April 22.

Joanne Troyer, wife of **John E. Troyer '58**, 1119 Manatee Lane, Houston, TX 77090, died Nov. 11.

Tom D. Yoder '59, husband of **Hazel Zehr Yoder '57**, 711 S. Cottage Ave., Apt. 108, Normal, IL 61761, died Jan. 31.

George S. Zeiset '53, husband of Bernice Zeiset, 169 Schlegel Road, Bechtelsville, PA 19505, died June 13, 2008.

NEWS 1960-69

Correction: Larry N. Esmonde '60, Lima, Ohio, continues to be employed as president and CEO of the John P. Timmerman Co., president of Esmonde Consulting and vice president of Esmonde-Sawmiller L.L.C. His wife, **Susann M. Bowsher Esmonde '60**, retired in November 2007 after working 18 years in the Lima City Schools Adult Education Program and 37 years as treasurer of Lima Mennonite Church Child Care. She died Jan. 4, 2008, after a two-year battle with lung cancer. They had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 28, 2007.

Larry L. Bardell '67, Albany, Ore., works as a psychiatric nurse practitioner in the Department of Veterans Affairs.

David W. Bartow '61, Zionsville, Pa., completed a 15-month interim pastorate at North Baltimore Mennonite Church on April 30. David and **Becky Grossnickle Bartow '67** plan to move to West Virginia to be near other family members.

Robert E. Bontrager '63 and his wife Yvonne, Newton, Kan., retired in 2007 as social worker and registered nurse, respectively. However, Robert now teaches part time at Newman University School of Social Work in Wichita and provides some nursing home consultation.

Jan Eicher Brunk '63, Asheville, N.C., is a nurse practitioner at Hope, a women's cancer center.

Phyllis Lehman Collier '62 and her husband Arthur Collier, Rochester, N.Y., plan to relocate to coastal South Carolina.

Lois Zimmerly Copeland '60 and her husband Philip Copeland, Elyria, Ohio, spend winter months in Laguna Woods, Calif.

G. Weldon Friesen '63, Middlebury, Ind., retired Sept. 1, 2008, from Middlebury Family Physicians after serving for 37 years.

Ivan D. Friesen '64 and Rachel Hilty Friesen moved to Bluffton, Ohio, in August 2008. Ivan is completing the Isaiah commentary in the *Believers Church Bible Commentary* series.

Helen Liechty Glick '69, Millersburg, Ohio, is co-manager of the Save and Serve Thrift Shop, the Mennonite Central Committee thrift shop in Millersburg. **Bruce Glick '64** does volunteer work, mostly at the thrift shop and with the Ohio Conference of the Mennonite Church.

Helen M. Good '61, Elkhart, Ind., does charity knitting for Knit for Kids sweaters for *Guideposts*.

Margaret Beachy Hershberger '65, Fairview, Mich., retired May 1, 2008, from full-time office/clinic nursing after 43 years of employment. She continues doing paramedical exams for insurance companies.

Clyde L. Hockman '65, Canby, Ore., serves on the local board of Habitat for Humanity and helps build homes.

Tom D. Holtzinger '65, Goshen, retired three years ago from teaching high school mathematics at Goshen High School and since that time he and **Joanne Yoder Holtzinger '59** have traveled to India, China, Tibet, Nepal, Botswana, Thailand and Namibia. Tom serves on the Elkhart County Regional Sewer District Board and was recently appointed to the Goshen City Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals.

Dorothea Dyck Honn '66, Waukesha, Wis., is retired, but continues a chaplaincy position, teaching spirituality with behavioral health clients, does in-hospital crisis on call and co-chairs development of spirituality in the local health care system. This year she took a position as director of caring ministries.

Patricia Forrester Kratzer '63, Mattawan, Mich., and her husband Kenneth are retired and live in Michigan in the summer and in Alabama in the winter.

Pat Hostetter Martin '64, Harrisonburg, Va., retired after 12 years of directing the Summer Peacebuilding Institute at Eastern Mennonite University.

Darlene Ritter Larrison '68, Paoli, Ind., retired from teaching reading in Paoli Community School Corporation in June 2008. **Ted Larrison '68** continues to work for Southern Hills Mental Health and is active in Paoli Mennonite Fellowship.

Kathryn Shantz Leatherman '61, Goshen, volunteered for eight years helping with crowd control during visiting hours at the county jail. She is retired and lives at Greencroft Retirement Center.

Philip K. Leatherman '62, Bainbridge Island, Wash., was the oldest finisher in the White River 50 Endurance Run, a 50-mile mountain-trail race held annually near Mt. Rainier.

John A. Liechty '68, Goshen, received the 2009 Aphasia Advocacy Award from the National Aphasia Association and was honored in New York City on June 4. John has lived with aphasia since 1978 and has been a tireless advocate as well as a local and national speaker on the subject.

Karen S. Miller '69, Elkhart, Ind., works as a team leader/nurse for the continuing support team at Oaklawn Psychiatric Outpatient Center.

Steve D. Miller '65, Surprise, Ariz., works for Triwest Healthcare Alliance, managing inpatient and outpatient mental health benefits for active duty, retirees and family members of all the branches of the U.S. military living in Idaho, Montana and Utah.

John F. Murray '60 and his wife Marilyn moved to Schowalter Villa in Hesston, Kan., in August 2008.

Ron E. Rogers '69, Fisher, Ill., retired from a heating and air conditioning firm in Champaign, Ill., after 24 years and accepted the position of maintenance director for Fisher School District.

Kenneth W. Schmidt '64, Newton, Kan., is retired and volunteers at Et Cetera Shop and the Homeless Shelter.

Merlin J. Schrock '68, Hemet, Calif., retired from teaching in 1995. He was ordained and became pastor of House of Faith in Hemet in 2006.

Donald E. Voth '63 moved from Fayetteville, Ark., to Albuquerque, N.M., in August 2008. After many years as a United Methodist, he is now active with Albuquerque Mennonite Church.

Carl L. Weaver '69, Goshen, was named honorary referee for the boys track and field Goshen Relays at Foreman Field on April 25. Carl coached boys cross country, boys track and girls track for a total of 28 years at Goshen High School with a career 68.1 winning percentage. He was also recently recognized for 40 years of teaching at Goshen High School.

Vance S. Weaver '66, Goshen, began Weaver Realty in 1978 and specializes in residential housing.

George R. Wismer '63, Perkasie, Pa., works as a therapist two evenings a week at Day Spring Christian Center, part of Penn Foundation.

Jerry E. Wittrig '67, Goshen, was installed Nov. 23 as part-time minister of visitation at North Goshen Mennonite Church. He had retired in 2007 after 19 years on the North Goshen pastoral team.

Brad L. Yoder '63, North Manchester, Ind., recently studied restorative justice and Maori spirituality for two months in New Zealand and Australia. He also helped to monitor the 2009 presidential elections in El Salvador. Brad continues to teach in the department of sociology and social work and coach cross country and track and field at Manchester College.

Jim E. Yoder '64, Hesston, Kan., was

awarded a National Science Foundation grant in the form of a Faculty Fellowship in the Research Site for Educators of Chemistry (RSEC) program at Wichita State University. The research was conducted during the summer.

Richard K. Zimmerman '66, Martinsburg, W.Va., retired in 2005 after 33 years as professor of plant sciences at West Virginia University.

DEATHS

Garold D. Beck '60, husband of **Neva Miller Beck '59**, 19751 County Road D, Archbold, OH 43502, died March 23.

Philip K. Clemens '63 (faculty '65-'66, '70-'86), husband of Nancy Musselman Clemens, 301 Russel St., Pandora, OH 45877, died March 1.

Donald E. Cripe, husband of **Jeanette Sauder Cripe '61**, 2113 Frances Ave., Elkhart, IN 46517, died March 7.

Gloria Stover Delp '67, Sellersville, Pa., died Jan. 4.

Dick E. Gautsche '60, husband of **Eunice Zook Little Gautsche '54**, 2044 Georgian Way, Apt. D-27, Lexington, KY , died Jan. 3.

Linda Kaufman, wife of **Stanley L. Kaufman '62**, 2250 Mounds Ave., New Brighton, MN 55112, died March 30.

Clyde B. Lehman '61, husband of Gladis Lehman, Friendship Manor Retirement Homes, 327 Hershberger Road N.W., Roanoke VA 24012, died Feb. 22, 2008.

Roxie Metzler, wife of **Richard E. Metzler '64**, 43081 Deerhorn Road, Springfield OR 97478, died Oct. 19, 2008.

Barbara J. Miller, wife of **Jerry L. Miller '64**, 16407 Brentwood Drive, Goshen, IN 46526, died March 23.

Nancy Vail Peterson, wife of **James A. Peterson '60**, 2400 Broadmoor Drive, Elkhart, IN 46514, died Dec. 27.

Kelvin "Kip" Prenkert, husband of **Jeanette Wisler Prenkert '66**, 64431 County Road 1, Wakarusa, IN 46573, died Feb. 8, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Erle Schweitzer, husband of **Grace Martin Sweitzer '64**, 285 Bluevale St. N Unit 1, Waterloo, ON N2J 4L8, Canada, died Aug. 31, 2008.

John E. Zumbrun, husband of **Miriam Swinger Zumbrun '60**, 4218 W. 50 S., Kimmell, IN 46760, died Oct. 14, 2008.

NEWS 1970-74

Philip D. Bender '70, Chongqing, China, received a "2008 Excellent Foreign Teachers in Chongqing Award" Dec. 18. Nominated by Chongqing Medical University, the award was given to 24 English teachers out of more than 2,000 in the Chengdu municipality.

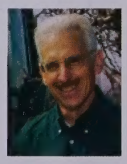
Ruth Nice Carrasco '72, New Holland, Pa., has been working as a day-shift nursing supervisor at Fairmount Homes in Ephrata for more than 13 years.

Tom L. Clemens '73, Birmingham, Ala., is professor and director of the Division of Molecular and Cellular Pathology as well as the director of the UAB Hughes Med-Grad Fellowship Program at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He is also a research career scientist for VA Birmingham Medical Center and in 2006 received the Henry M. Middleton VA Research Excellence Award. In 2008 Tom began a five-year appointment as editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Bone and Mineral Research*.

Pat Cole Detwiler '74, Alvordton, Ohio, retired March 1, after teaching family and consumer sciences for 35 years at Bryan High School.

Ken D. Ebersole '73, Lafayette, Colo., received his master's degree in education, administration and supervision from Phoenix University in February. He continues to teach and coach soccer at Centaurus High School and was named the Colorado State High School Soccer Coach of the Year for 2007-08.

Gail R. Ehret '70, Okemos, Mich., received the Jack Breslin Distinguished Staff Award for 2009 on May 19. Gail is lead research technician for the Tree Fruit Pathology Laboratory at Michigan State University.



Dianna Burkey Eshleman '71, Depoe Bay, Ore., is an adult nurse practitioner for Samaritan Depoe Bay Clinic. **Leon Eshleman '72** continues to work as a physician at the Lebanon Community Hospital Urgent Care Center.

Emma Miller Finnell '70, San Diego, Calif., works at Motorola as a PKI coordinator.

David A. Gerig '70 and **Janette Basinger Gerig '69**, Keller, Texas, retired as educators in New Mexico. David is director of music and worship at First United Methodist Church of Keller and Janette as a paraprofessional at Beck Elementary, Trophy Club, Texas.

Thelma Yoder Greaser '70, Norton, Ohio, is clinical manager/internship coordinator at Child Guidance and Family Solutions in Akron, and is chair-elect of the Midwest Region of the American Counseling Association. In April, she was selected the Counseling Supervisor of the Year by the Ohio Association for Counselor Education and Supervision.

Debra Neumann-Hansen '74, Longmont, Colo., is director of children's ministry at Calvary Bible Church in Boulder.

Bob Herr '72 and **Judy Zimmerman Herr '74**, Nairobi, Kenya, accepted an assignment with Mennonite Central Committee as associate directors for East Africa providing administrative support for Ethiopia, Sudan, Somalia, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda.

Donita Schertz Herr '73, West Hartford, Conn., is the assistant manager at Ten Thousand Villages in West Hartford.

Wayne L. Hochstedler '71, Harrisonburg, Va., is the sales manager for the MutualAid eXchange (MAX) Insurance Agency, Inc., Harrisonburg office.

Joyce A. Huber '72, Hesston, Kan., a nursing instructor at Hesston College since 1973, teaches the medical surgical nursing courses to sophomore students. In the month of May she works for Kaplan, Inc., teaching several review classes to prepare nursing graduates to take the NCLEX, the national nursing licensure exam.

Earl Jantzi '70, Zion, Ill., retired from the telecommunications business this year. On May 3, 2008, Earl married Mary Ellen Connelly of Elmira, N.Y.

Fred Kauffman '73, Philadelphia, Pa., is the Mennonite Central Committee East Coast program coordinator for Philadelphia.

Stan Kauffman '74, Pellston, Mich., is a physical therapist in the outpatient rehabilitation department at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

Dave Kroeker '70, Mission, British Columbia, Canada, retired in 2007 after working 15 years as stewardship consultant in the Abbotsford office of Mennonite Foundation of Canada.

Daniel E. Lemons '74, Hastings On Hudson, N.Y., is the dean of science at The City College of New York. **Mary Smucker Lemons '75** is in her 15th year of teaching at Trinity School in Manhattan.

Jim M. Miller '72 and **Debra Fisher Miller '73** moved to Sarasota, Fla., to take positions with Mennonite Mutual Aid. Jim is the managing director of MMA's Sarasota office, and Debra is the financial adviser/Mennonite Mutual Aid Trust representative.

Larry G. Nafziger '70, Wakarusa, Ind., has been an elementary principal in the WaNee School District for 30 years. He is in his 17th year as principal at the Wakarusa Elementary School.

Jorie Lamson Nussbaum '73, Statesboro, Ga., is a doctoral fellow in the College of Education at Georgia Southern University.

Brenda Nofziger Sensenig '73, Archbold, Ohio, has been a children's librarian at the Archbold Community Library since 2000. **Daniel W. Sensenig '74** continues to work for Sauder Manufacturing.

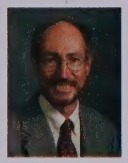
Dora Short '73, Apple Creek, Ohio, is a music and choir teacher for grades K-6 at Triway Local Schools in Wooster.

Jay C. Smith '74, Pierceton, Ind., was recently a recipient of Center Circle Official's Award at the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. Jay has worked five basketball state championships, 16 semi-states, 25 regionals, 32 sectionals, and has been a rules interpreter and clinician for 10 years. He also mentors young officials and works as a college official as well.

Darrel D. Sommers '73 and his wife **Karen (staff '98-present)**, Goshen, enjoyed two weeks in March volunteering in the SOOP (Service Opportunities for Older Persons) program in Phoenix, Ariz. Darrel works in maintenance at Greencroft Retirement Community Goshen.

Bob L. Souder '70, Goshen, was elected to the Middlebury School Board in November. He retired in July 2006 after 21 years as a guidance counselor at West Side Middle School in Elkhart. He now works two nights a week as manager at the Das Dutchman Essenhaus restaurant in Middlebury.

J.D. Stahl '73, Blacksburg, Va., professor of English in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences at Virginia Tech, received the university's William E. Wine Award for Excellence in



Teaching in December. He also received a $2,000 award and automatic induction into the Academy of Teaching Excellence. In addition to his exemplary classroom work, J.D. has built the children's literature program at Virginia Tech from a single undergraduate survey course to a highly respected set of undergraduate and graduate courses. He also co-edited *Crosscurrents of Children's Literature* (Oxford University Press, Oct. 2006) which is being adopted in college classrooms worldwide.

Laura Suess '74, Evanston, Ill., directs an after-school program at the Chicago Teachers' Center.

Ellen Russell Swihart '70, Sebring, Fla., a volunteer chaplain at Palms of Sebring Health Care facility, was ordained in 1993. She retired from teaching in 1989.

Bob D. Troyer '70, Lewisville, Texas, has worked for AugoSig for 25 years, the last 10 years from home. Last year he logged nearly 3,200 miles on his bicycle after beginning to ride seriously in August 2007. **Anne Yoder Troyer '70** is retired, which they celebrated with her boss and his wife with three cruises in the two years leading up to retirement.

Marcia A. Yoder-Schrock '70 and her husband John Yoder-Schrock, Moundridge, Kan., are in their 10th year as co-pastors of West Zion Mennonite Church.

DEATHS

Henry C. Buller, husband of **Sarah Kaufman Buller '71**, 1352 Dogwood Road, Bremen, IN 46506, died Jan. 5.

Ted Eash '71, husband of **Darlene Chupp Eash '59**, 16038 County Road 4, Bristol, IN 46507, died May 1.

John E. Penrose '72, husband of Betsy Penrose, 17602 Shannon Ave., Goshen, IN 46526, died Dec. 15.

Paul W. Chrispyn, husband of **Viola M. Sherck Stark '70**, 1212 Waterford Circle, Apt. 203, Goshen, IN 46526, died April 24.

NEWS 1975-79

Rita Fisher Burkholder '76, Bloomington, Ind., recently completed a master of science degree in nursing from Indiana Wesleyan University as a family nurse practitioner.

Ruth Janzen Detwiler '76, Telford, Pa., works in an acute dialysis unit at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia.

Mary J. Dyck '78, Normal, Ill., an assistant professor at Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University, recently received the Illinois State University Research Initiative Award and the Midwest Nursing Research Society Gerontological Nursing Section New Investigator Award for her research on nursing home quality.

Dan J. Eigsti '75, Newton, Kan., transports grain, feed products and other bulk items in a six-state region. He also started a nonprofit corporation called Namaste India Children's Fund to help support child welfare organizations for orphaned and abandoned children.

Marianne 'Myrn' Herr-Paul '76, Greencastle, Pa.. opened her private practice in 2002, after eight years of family practice with obstetrics. Now she focuses predominantly on providing osteopathic manipulative medicine, along with integrative (holistic) medicine consultation. Her husband, **Roger Erb Herr-Paul '75**, is her office manager.

Eileen G. Hostetler '78, Glendive, Mont., works as a nurse at Eastern Montana Veteran's Home.

Charlotte Hershberger Koenig '79, Coralville, Iowa, is a family physician with Mercy Services in Williamsburg.

Ron S. Kraybill '76, Harrisonburg, Va., wrote *Restoring Those Who Help Others: Self-Care and Spirituality for Those in Danger of Burn-Out* (Good Books, 2008), which focuses on two essential practices – reflection and renewing oneself.

Gary R. Laustsen '76, La Grande, Ore., continues to teach graduate and undergraduate nursing for Oregon Health and Science University.

Phil K. Lederach '79 and **Lisa Herr Lederach '79**, Goshen, welcomed Mercy Lisa Pai-Chi Lederach to their home on March 18. She was born Sept. 26, 2002 and adopted in Taipei, Taiwan, in January. Mercy joins Sara, Noah, Isaac, Phoebe, Esther, Elijah, Grace and Zebulun. Phil is assistant principal at Goshen High School, and Lisa is principal of Chandler Elementary School.

Mario E. Lopez '79, Harlingen, Texas, has been teaching math at Texas State Technical College for 16 years.

Marvin E. Marks '79, Ironwood, Mich., has been an attorney for over 25 years and has a general practice law firm, Superior Law, committed to providing cost-effective and practical legal solutions to individuals and business.

David E. Mishler '77, Johnstown, Pa., has been granted a three-month sabbatical after 19 years as CEO of Laurel View Village, an interdenominational retirement community in Davidsville.

Paula Neumann Ream '76, Indianapolis, Ind., will graduate from the University of Indianapolis with a bachelor of science degree in respiratory therapy.

Jewel Geissinger Ratzlaff '77, Hopewell Junction, N.Y., has been instrumental in the foundation of Mid-Hudson Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC).

Anena Howard Rolofson '77, Kendallville, Ind., is a county special education director for LaGrange County.

Teresa Hoffman Sakraida '78, Greenwood Village, Colo., is assistant professor at the University of Colorado Denver, College of Nursing and received the 2008 Robert Woods Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholar award, a three-year $350,000 grant. She was also the recipient of the 2007 Chancellor's Teaching Recognition award and the 2006 Western Institute of Nursing Poster Award.

Amy Monteith Shojai '79, Sherman, Texas, is self employed as a freelance writer/author/animal behavior consultant and industry consultant for the pet care industry. She is a professional certified member of the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants. See her Web site: www.shojai.com.

Peggy L. Souder '76, Newton, Kan., is in her third year as the ESOL coordinator for Valley Center School District. On July 5, 2008, she married Nathan Dick.

Ruth Horst Stoltzfus '79, Goshen, won a Health Sciences Scholarship from AARP Indiana and the American Association of University Women, South Bend Branch. Ruth is an associate professor of nursing at Goshen College and is pursuing a doctoral degree in nursing from the School of Nursing at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis.

Joanne Widrick Tanner '79, Richmond, Va., is a nurse practitioner in Minute Clinic, a minor illness walk-in clinic located in a CVS pharmacy.

Jeri Ann Hughes Waltrip '77, Cleveland, Ohio, is a circulation assistant at Cleveland Heights/University Heights Public Library.

Joanne K. Yoder '77, Bristol, Ind., is director of the Elkhart County Juvenile Detention Center. She is also part owner of a 26-horse boarding facility.

Cliff J. Zehr '77, Silver Lake, Ind., is president of Kerlin Bus Sales and Leasing and was presented with the 2008 Thomas Built Buses National Dealer of the Year award at the annual Thomas dealer meeting in Winston-Salem, N.C., in October 2008 for outstanding performance.

DEATH

Jean-Marc Lepillez, husband of **Wanda Reimer Lepillez '78**, 8384 Old Exchange Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920, died April 13.

NEWS 1980-84

Mim King Blosser '84 and her husband Mike, Sarasota, Fla., started a "motorcycle life group" at their church. The group is open to all bikers with the purpose of sharing Christ.

Gail Martin Blum '81, Hillsdale, Mich., was licensed as a chaplain for Hospice of Lenawee on Sept. 14, 2008, at Salem Mennonite Church, Waldron.

Bob M. Bontrager '80 and Beth Gerig Bontrager '80 have lived in Corvallis, Ore., for the past 15 years. Bob is director of consulting for a nonprofit higher education association based in Washington, D.C., advising schools on programs to improve student services and academic success. Beth teaches third grade.

Wesley J. Bontreger '81, Goshen, was selected as the moderator-elect of the new Indiana-Michigan Conference Missional Leadership Team. Wes continues as pastor of Yellow Creek Mennonite Church.

Barb A. Carbaugh '80, Goshen, was chosen as honorary referee for the 20th running of the Goshen Girls Relays on May 9. She has been a volunteer for 18 years at the girls relays and for 21 years at the boys relays.

Ruth Claassen '80, Beatrice, Neb., graduated from the University of Nebraska Medial Center in May with a master of science of nursing with a focus on nursing administration.

Brent A. Eash '81, Bristol, Ind., was selected as the moderator of the new Indiana-Michigan Conference Missional Leadership Team. Brent continues as pastor of Shore Mennonite Church, Shipshewana.

Kendra Hossler Goodman '82, Ephrata, Pa., works in the Life Sharing Program for Friendship Ministries.

Jill E. Flora Hillman '82, South Bend, Ind., leads the jazz worship service at Grace United Methodist Church.

Ann Graber Miller '80 and **Keith Graber Miller (faculty '87-89. '93-present)**, Goshen, opened an international art and antiques gallery, Graber Designs, in downtown Goshen in November 2008. Ann also provides interior and architectural design services for homes and businesses.

Michele Schrock Hershberger '83, Hesston, Kan., was ordained on Nov. 16, 2008, by South Central Mennonite Conference at Hesston College and Hesston Mennonite Church, for teaching and preaching ministry.

Phil D. Hess '81, Ephrata, Pa., was selected as chief executive officer at Philhaven, Mount Gretna, Pa., where he has been employed in various positions since 1988.

Joy Neumann Landis '80, Mason, Mich., was awarded a 2009 all-university distinguished academic staff award by the president and provost of Michigan State University for her work as a communications manager. **Doug A. Landis '81** was honored by the Entomological Society of America with its 2008 recognition award for entomologists who are making significant contributions to agriculture. Doug is a professor of entomology at Michigan State University specializing in landscape ecology and biological control.

Jeff K. Long '81, Wilmington, Del., visited Honduras for the first time since SST in 1979. In June he marked 20 years working as a research chemist in DuPont's crop protection business.

Kathy Hursh Miller '85, Spencerville, Ind., is a registered nurse in the coronary/medical intensive care unit at Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Nadine Zook Miller '82, Goshen, began a work assignment in September 2008 with Mennonite Central Committee as a material resource coordinator at the Depot in Goshen. **Dan Z. Miller '81** began as lead conference minister for the Indiana-Michigan Conference in January.

Neil R. Miller '81, Waco, Texas, is executive director of World Hunger Relief, Inc., a training farm for those interested in working in sustainable agriculture and appropriate technologies in lesser developed countries. **Kristi Rowe Miller '83** is the only certified nurse midwife practicing in Waco and delivers about 100 babies a year.

Beth Kingshott Moser '80, Moscow, Kan., farms with her husband Dennis and owns a bookkeeping business. In 2005 she received her bachelor's degree from Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kan.

John C. Murray '84, Hesston, Kan., was invited by the Council on Foreign Relations to attend the "Religion and Foreign Policy" workshop at their headquarters in New York City in July 2008. About 60 leaders of various religions from across the United States gathered for this two-day event to discuss the religious perspectives that impact current foreign policy issues.

Mark Plank '83, Syracuse, Ind., is lead application support specialist for Maple Leaf Farms in Milford, Ind., whose duck product was served to President Obama at the inauguration festivities. **Kathy Blosser Plank '87** is a self-employed medical transcriptionist working online for Columbia University Children's Hospital in New York City. She continues to play flute for the Elkhart County Symphony and Maple City Chamber Orchestra.

Irene Yoder Smucker '81 and her husband John I. Smucker moved to Garden Spot Village, New Holland, Pa., in July 2008.

Tim R. Stair '82, Goshen, ended his half-time position of minister of outreach and calling at College Mennonite Church Dec. 31, but continues his half-time position as a consulting associate for Mennonite Health Services Alliance. On May 23 he graduated from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary with a master of arts degree in mission and evangelism. In the fall he began a master of fine arts degree in creative writing at Murray (Ky.) State University. **Jan King Stair '73** teaches second grade at Jefferson Elementary School.

Terri Anne Stern Troyer '82, Goshen, works part time as a church secretary and sells antique fine and costume jewelry, glassware and ceramics at Village Antique Gallerie in Pierceton. She also creates and sells handmade jewelry.

David A. Yeazell '83, Arden, N.C., is director of training and consulting for Faith and Philanthropy.

Melanie A. Zuercher '83, Newton, Kan., is a writer and editor in the office of institutional communications at Bethel College, North Newton, Kan.

NEWS 1985-89

Doug L. Amstutz '86 and his wife Wanda, Saint Catharines, Ontario, Canada, accepted a four-year assignment in 2007 with Mennonite Central Committee as co-country representatives in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Previously, they co-pastored in Scottdale, Pa., and St. Catharines, Ontario.

Jill Esmonde Donovan '87, Carrsville, Va., teaches third grade at Elephant's Fork Elementary School in Suffolk.

Ken E. Eastman '86, Evergreen Park, Ill., is director of nursing at Streamwood Behavioral Health Center, which specializes in adolescent psychiatry, at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital Center in Chicago.

Neal J. Frey '85, Shipshewana, Ind., is operations manager of Entech Inc., a full-service tire recycling facility in White Pigeon, Mich. **Chris Schrock Frey '87** works part time as a registered nurse at New Eden Care Center, Shipshewana, and part time as nurse on call at Goshen General Hospital.

Chris D. Gingrich '85, Harrisonburg, Va., a professor at Eastern Mennonite University since 1995, teaches in both the Department of Business and Economics and the Master of Business Administration program. Most recently, he studied the economics of insecticide-treated mosquito nets in Tanzania in conjunction with Mennonite Economic Development Associates. Other research topics include the effectiveness of microfinance programs and the relationship between economic globalization and agricultural development.

John S. Goldfus '85 and LuAnn Fellenbaum, Elizabethtown, Pa., were wed on May 4, 2008.

Laurie Virgil Gray '86, Fort Wayne, Ind., works as a deputy prosecutor in Allen County, Ind., assigned to drug court, juvenile sex crimes and the child advocacy center. She presented at the 25th National Symposium on Child Abuse in Huntsville, Ala., in March.

Dave E. Lawson '86, Tacoma, Wash., works as a traveling emergency room nurse.

Christy K. Leichty '89, Opelousas, La., is an assistant administrator and teacher at the Big Red Barn Montessori School, a rural school for children ages 3-10 and a teacher training facility.

Scott D. Lightfoot '86, Toledo, Ohio, is technology director and faculty adviser for the yearbook, martial arts and bluegrass music clubs for The Toledo School for the Arts, a grade 6-12 charter school. He was recently chosen to exhibit his artwork at a show called "Artomatic 419."

Marg A. Mast '87 (faculty '95-'96, '02-'08), Indianapolis, Ind., is assistant director for educator preparation at the Indiana Department of Education in Indianapolis.

Joanne Groff McIlvaine '86, Lancaster, Pa., began working part time in March as a print and multimedia designer at Eastern Mennonite Missions, Salunga.

Karen S. Miller '86 and Sean Hassinger, Boise, Idaho, celebrated the birth of twins Seth Miller Hassinger and Isaac Miller Hassinger on Feb. 5. They join Levi, 3.

Emily B. North '86, Harrisonburg, Va., was ordained as pastor at Shalom Mennonite Congregation on Nov. 16, 2008.

J. Mark Nyce '87, Telford, Pa., works for Derstine Foods, Inc., Sellersville, as the internal operations manager. **Heiki-Lara Eigsti Nyce '89** is a behavior specialist and

mobile therapist for Penn Foundation.

Jan Jines Plummer '88, Middlebury, Ind., began working as assistant controller at Goshen College in April. She received her master's degree in taxation in 2007.

Randal E. Rheinheimer '88, Santa Fe, N.M., works as a high performance computing project manager at Los Alamos National Laboratory.

Ron R. Rheinheimer '87, Omaha, Neb., is vice president at Pearson Education, a global leader in educational publishing.

Jon E. Rudy '85, Manheim, Pa., is currently self-employed doing international and domestic peacebuilding consulting. He specializes in international peace program design, monitoring and evaluation of programs, conflict transformation education and nonviolence training. Jon has lived for 15 years in East and Southern Africa and Asia and the Pacific.

Karl E. Steiner '89 and Carola Steiner, Markt Schwaben, Germany, celebrated the birth of Simon Elias on April 2, 2008. He joins Jonathan, 3.

Kim Roth Walker '88, Archbold, Ohio, works part time as a lab technologist at Community Hospitals & Wellness Centers in Archbold.

DEATH

Greg Bontrager, husband of **Nancy Sauder Bontrager '88**, 3570 County Road 17, Wauseon, OH 43567, died Feb. 17.

NEWS 1990-94

Steve E. Armstrong'92, New York, N.Y., worked as an attorney for Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP until February 2009 when he opened his own law firm, specializing in product liability litigation, business litigation, the use and admissibility of expert witnesses and class action law.

Scott Bodiker '92 and **Sheila Mullet '97**, Millersburg, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Luke Thomas on Feb. 17. He joins Kate, 5, and Zeke, 3.

Jonathan M. Bollinger '94 and Jan Good-Bollinger, Lenexa, Kan., celebrated the birth of Markus Alan Good Bollinger on Dec. 1. He joins Madeline, 6, and Joel, 4.

Alan R. Burkholder '93 and **Susan Hertzler Burkholder '93**, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Elsa Hertzler Burkholder on Nov. 30. She joins Magdalena, 3. Alan is director of engineering at Lanx, a spinal implant and surgical instrument company. Susan is director of program evaluation for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Denver.

Monica Hochstedler Carlson '93, Harrisonburg, Va., continues to teach part time in the Eastern Mennonite University Preparatory Music Program and teaches general music part time at Eastern Mennonite Elementary School.

Becky S. Detwiler '91 and her husband James Baciak, Gainesville, Fla., celebrated the birth of Richard Henry on Oct. 30, 2008. They are faculty members in the Nuclear Engineeering Department at the University of Florida.

Jeff S. Dyck '92 and **Lara K. Troyer '94**, Cleveland, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Margaret Fern Troyer Dyck on March 5. She joins Henry, 1. Jeffrey was granted tenure and promotion to associate professor of physics at John Carroll University. Lara continues to perform in Northeast Ohio and teach voice at the University of Akron.

Cynthia L. Friesen Coyle '90, Bothell, Wash., is a free-lance graphic designer and a stay-at-home mom.

Kendra Hossler Goodman '92, Ephrata, Pa., works in the Life Sharing Program for Friendship Ministries.

Mark A. Guengerich '90, Brighton, Colo., and Angela Martin, Lakewood, Colo., were wed on March 21. Mark is in his 11th year teaching physics and chemistry at Brighton High School.

Martin Hartmann '92 and Andrea Hartmann, Kabwe, Zambia, celebrated the birth of their first child, Dominik, in July 2008. They returned to Zambia in May 2008 to work at Buyantanshi Open Christian Community School, which provides education mainly to orphans and the underprivileged.

Brian R. Hook '93, St. Louis, Mo., is self employed as a free-lance journalist. **Rachel Zaerr Hook '94** is chief editor at KTVI-TV.

Eric J. Jantzen '94, Elkhart, Ind., is head of the science department at Elkhart Central High School.

Tim A. Kauffman '90, Westminster, Colo., was appointed Jefferson County Treasurer on Jan. 13.

Dawn R. Kaufman-Frey '90, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada, received a J.D. in June 2008 from the University of Toronto, Faculty of Law and works as an associate lawyer practicing family law with McGee & Fryer in Markham, Ontario.

Erica Reschly Krasowski '91 and Matt

Rachel's English
Because talking is fun.
Search this site:
Search
How To Use This Site Sound Chart Sounds Exercises 1-on-1 Links Contact About
This website was created to help people improve their American English pronunciation. At the core is a series of videos explaining in detail how each sound is created, as well as a blog.
American English Pronunciation Guide
Word Stress: Content Words
Embed: <object id="flashvideo" classid="clsid:D27CDB6E-AE6D-11cf-96B8-4445
Video Text:
If you've watched the intro to word stress video, then you know that English is a language in which word stress is very important. Stressed words or syllables are higher in pitch and usually longer in duration. Reduced syllables are syllables that are lower in pitch and usually very, very quick. For example, in the sentence "Dad's at the bank." "Dad's" and 'bank' are both higher in pitch. They are the stressed words in this sentence. Dad's at the bank. The words 'at' and 'the' are sounded very quickly: at the, at the, and they're also lower in pitch. Dad's at the bank.
So how do you know which words within a sentence should be stressed? Words that are usually stressed in a sentence are called content words. Words that are not usually stressed, sometimes reduced, are called function words. This video today will focus on content words, or, the words that are stressed. There are four categories: nouns, verbs, adverbs, and adjectives. We'll go over each one with an example.
A noun is a person, place, or thing. For example, Rachel, sister, glass, phone, beach, school. In the
THE SOUNDS
View the sounds of American English:
listed -or-
Sound Chart (by letter)
Subscribe to the blog
Become a fan
Follow me
Recent Posts
Ben Franklin Exercise: Lake Pend Oreille
Word Stress: Content Words
Answering the Phone, part 2 of 2
Answering the Phone, part 1 of 2
Ben Franklin Exercise: Michelle Obama
Imitation Exercise: "Terminator"
The Numbers 20 - 1 Billion!!
Imitation Exercise: "Angels and Demons"
Ben Franklin Exercise: Food, Inc.
Months of the Year
more
SCREENSHOT WWW.RACHELSENGLISH.COM

Alum's English pronunciation Web site is not tongue-in-cheek

A linguistics Web site doesn't seem like an obvious path for someone who studied computer science, applied math and music in college, but **Rachel Smith '01** found a niche that combines all of her interests with the launch of her Web site **www.RachelsEnglish.com**.

The site teaches American English pronunciation based on Smith's extensive vocal music training – she earned a master's of music degree in opera performance from Longy School of Music – and her experience teaching English as a foreign language on Study-Service Term. Among other features, she charts all the American English sounds related to each letter of the English alphabet, describing by video the physical positions and movements of her tongue, teeth and lips in making those sounds. With her knowledge, she was able to create and maintain the Web site herself.

"I have had some people find it and tell me it is just what they are looking for; that they really think they can use it to help themselves improve their accent on their own, and to top it off the site is free," Smith said. "And that is my goal, to have it be a really good resource for self-teaching. Feeling like I'm putting something out there that is helpful to people, as well as connecting with people from all over the world, is probably the most rewarding part."

– By Tyler Falk '09

Krasowski, Pittsburgh, Pa., celebrated the birth of Miriam Barbara on Aug. 14, 2007.

Heather Kropf '94, Pittsburgh, Pa., released her third CD, *Hestia*, in January.

Beverly K. Lapp '91, Goshen, released her first solo piano CD, *Every Blessing: Songs of Faith at the Piano*. Bev is a music professor at Goshen College and is working on her doctorate at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Patrick D. Leaman '93 and Kris Leaman, Sinking Spring, Pa., celebrated the birth of Ryan Elizabeth on Nov. 27. She joins Cole, 5, and Jake, 3.

Jim B. Longacre '90, Barto, Pa., is an employee benefits attorney at a firm in Reading, Pa., and farms in his spare time. **Ann Reedy Longacre '90** teaches part time in the preschool at Bally Mennonite Church.

Eric M. Massanari '91, Newton, Kan., received a 12-week Louisville Institute Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders for this past summer.

Christine Bartow Mathews '90, Henrico, Va.,is a medical transcriptionist at the Virginia Cancer Institute.

Fernando S. Miller '90 and his wife Paula Compagnoni, Santiago, Chile, celebrated the birth of Sebstian Miller Compagnoni on Nov. 6. Fernando works as general manager of Schaeffler Chile INA-FAG.

Brent E. Nafziger '92, Telford, Pa., started working as operations leader in May 2008 at Dock Woods Retirement Community, Lansdale.

Lillian Haas Nicolson '93 and Norman Nicolson, Orodara, Burkina Faso, celebrated the birth of Nadine Ruth on April 2, where they work as missionaries under Mennonite Church Canada Witness. Lillian works in Bible translation and Norm in vernacular media.

Eric A. Nord '92, Lemont, Pa., received a Ph.D. in ecology from Penn State University in December and works there as a post doctoral researcher. **Andrea Nafziger Nord '94** is working on her Ph.D. in ecology and works as a research assistant.

Troy D. Osborne '94 is assistant professor of history at Bluffton (Ohio) University.

Harris S. Razak '91, Plano, Texas, is vice president of sales for Ericsson, a world-leading provider of telecommunications equipment and related services to mobile and fixed network operators globally.

Douglas Thut Witmer '93, Philadelphia, Pa., gave an artists' talk on Feb. 8 at the Philadelphia Catheral where his project "Joseph's Coat," a group of new large paintings intended for the Cathedral, was installed. The exhibit was from Feb. 5 to Feb. 28.

John M. Troyer '92, Goshen, was selected as a member of the new Indiana-Michigan Conference Missional Leadership Team. He and his wife Sheila continue as co-pastors of youth and young adults.

Ann Garber Waltner '93, Kenosha, Wis., was promoted to features editor at *The Journal Times* in Racine, and is a member of the editorial board.

Jerry L. Zehr '92, Copenhagen, N.Y., received a master's degree in education from the University of New England, Maine, and a New York State physical education certification in 2003. He is currently teaching K-12 physical education at Lowville (N.Y.) Academy.

NEWS 1995-99

Stacy Neff Beshara '95, Mishawaka, Ind., is a senior physical therapist at OSMC in Elkhart, specializing in working with people who have chronic pain.

Emily K. Burkhalter '97 and Chris Blosser, Philadelphia, Pa., celebrated the birth of Elijah Loren on Dec. 16. He joins Clare, 2.

Rebecca J. Byler Dann '97 and Jonathan Byler Dann, Pittsburgh, Pa., celebrated the birth of Stella Rose on May 19, 2008. She joins Soren, 3. Rebecca completed a fellowship in gynecologic oncology at Magee Women's Hospital of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center this June. She received a master of public health degree in 2001 and a doctor of medicine degree in 2002 from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine followed by a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Iowa hospitals and clinics.

Alison R. Charbeneau '98 and Rich Bryant, Belmont, N.H., were wed on Dec. 27.

Obie E. Diener '99, Northfield, Minn., works as an independent development consultant to relief and development organizations in Ramallah in the Palestinian Territories.

Carrie N. Fisher '97 and **Travis Stalter '97**, Danvers, Ill., were wed Sept. 6, 2008. Carrie is a registered nurse at St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria, and enrolled in the family nurse practitioner program at Illinois State University, Normal. Travis is a manager at Meijer in Normal.

Sonny Beasley Gaby '97 and **Mark Gaby '98**, Syracuse, Ind., celebrated the birth of Garrett Charles on Jan. 20. He joins twins Eric and Kalie, age 8.

Dione Gilmer Ganser '97, South Bend, Ind., has worked 10 years at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, currently as a labor and delivery nurse. She recently obtained National Inpatient Obstetrics Certification.

Jeremy Garber '96, Denver, Colo., is a third-year doctoral student in the joint Ph.D. program at the University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology, concentrating on theology, philosophy and cultural theory. He recently won the Solo Flight fellowship.

Anne K. Glick '98 and Jan Hoiting, New York, N.Y., celebrated the birth of Willem Peter Hoiting-Glick on Feb. 19. He joins Sebastian, 2.

Kristi Glick Shank '97, Charlottesville, Va., is an artist specializing in enamel, jewelry and mixed media and has a studio in the McGuffey Art Center in Charlottesville. She exhibited her enamel panels, prints and jewelry at Goshen College from November to January and was invited to assist a two-month enameling class at Penland (N.C.) School for Craft in March and April. She began teaching in the GC art department in August 2009.

Hans Goertz '96 and Laurelyne Marie de Chillou de Churet, Rosenau, France, celebrated the birth of their daughter Tiphaine Aénor Goertz on Aug. 27, 2008. Hans works as a health economist at Novartis Pharma in Basel, Switzerland.

Dana G. Graber Ladek '97 and Stephen Ladek celebrated the birth of Kylan Jordan Graber Ladek in Amman, Jordan, on Aug. 3, 2008. They recently moved to Budapest, Hungary, where Dana works as the head of the regional support unit for the International Organization for Migration.

Keith D. Herris '99 and Melissa Herris, McKenzie, Tenn., celebrated the birth of Natalie Rose on Jan. 6. She joins Noelle, 3.

Tonya S. Histand '95 and Anthony Yoder, Philadelphia, Pa., were wed Sept. 28, 2008. Tonya continues as assistant to the general secretary of American Friends Service Committee.

Kevin J. Holland '96, Philadelphia, Pa., is a musician and owner of a small bar named Fiume in West Philly.

Jesse A. Hostetter Kropf '98 and **Marla Hostetter Kropf '98**, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Keen Hostetter Kropf on Nov. 18, 2008. He joins Ezekiel, 3. Jesse completed his doctor of medicine degree at the University of Colorado School of Medicine in May.

Tonya M. Hunsberger Gaby '97, White Pigeon, Mich., works as development officer for Hesston College, serving in the states of Indiana, Michigan and Ohio.

Kevin M. Jaberg '98 and **Tonya Miller Jaberg '03**, Goshen, received Kiara Jane for adoption on Nov. 3, 2008. Kiara was born Oct. 28, 2008, in South Bend, Ind. Kevin works at MapleTronics and Tonya is a mortgage processor at Interra Credit Union.

Betty Jahshan Habash '97 and Issa George Habash, Toronto, Canada, celebrated the birth of Maria Lana Habash on Dec. 20. She joins Nadine, 3.

Matt K. Kanagy '98 and **Joann Hunsberger '98**, Perkasie, Pa., celebrated the birth of Jesse Matthias on Jan. 12. Joann is in her fourth year of medical school at Drexel University College of Medicine. Matt continues his business, Kanagy Timber Frames, restoring historic buildings.

Brooke E. Kandel '97 and her husband Kumar Cisco, Houston, Texas, celebrated the birth of Anika Elizabeth Kandel Cisco on June 16, 2008. She joins Xavier, 3. Brooke is a senior research associate at Texas A&M University.

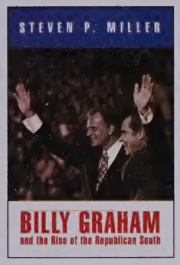
Juli Fisher Kaylor '96 and Mitch Kaylor, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Lance Mitchell on Dec. 20.

Lisa Rody Kirkton '97 and Jonathan Kirkton, Middlebury, Ind., celebrated the birth of Josiah James on May 13.

Gina Leichty '95, Goshen, is director of communications for Lucid Energy Technologies, which designs and engineers renewable power-generating systems which produce electricity from wind and water.

Joni Sterk Light '99 and Derek Light, Elkhart, Ind., celebrated the birth of Drake Richard on Nov. 29.

Steve P. Miller '99, Saint Louis, Mo., published *Billy Graham and the Rise of the Republican South* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2009), which received a favorable



review in the *New York Times*. **Clarissa P. Gaff '00**, an attorney, directs the Homeownership Task Force for Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation. She recently published an op-ed in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* concerning the Obama administration's housing policies.

Alyssa D. Moon Dyke '97 and Greg Dyke, Surprise, Ariz., celebrated the birth of Beatrix Hope Moon Dyke on Nov. 4. Alyssa continues to teach fifth grade in the Dysart School District in Surprise. She earned her master of arts degree in educational leadership from Arizona State University West, Phoenix, in May 2007.

Rachel Miller Moreland '97 and Thomas Moreland, Bellefontaine, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Jacob Thomas on Dec. 16. He joins Sam, 4, and Oliver, 2.

Alexander Naula '98, (faculty '01-09), South Bend, Ind., began M.B.A. studies at American University in Washington, D.C., this fall. **Julia Adams Naula '03** graduated from the University of Notre Dame's Mendoza School of Business with a master's degree in nonprofit administration in May.

Lauren J. Penner '96, Palmer Lake, Colo., is a systems engineer at McGraw-Hill.

David A. Rupp '96, Bloomington, Ind., graduated with a master's degree in environmental science from the University of Idaho in May 2009.

Ryan M. Sark '99 and Sarah Sark, New Paris, Ind., celebrated the birth of Brandt Michael on April 26. He joins Kylee, 20 months. Ryan is employed as general manager of Sorg South Chrysler Dodge Jeep in Warsaw.

Ryan J. Sauder '97 and Janelle Thomas, Lancaster, Pa., welcomed their second daughter, Pippa Lark, on Dec. 30. She joins Macy, 3.

Jon D. Schrock '99 and **Mandy A. Yoder '99**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Anna Yoder Schrock on Jan. 31. She joins Noah, 2.

Joel A. Short '98, Valparaiso, Ind., was installed as pastor at Hopewell Mennonite Church, Kouts, Ind., on March 8.

Jonathon B. Short '98 and **Angie White Short '01**, Fresno, Calif., celebrated the birth of Bennett Cole on Feb. 9.

Heidi J. Siemens-Rhodes '96, Goshen, was licensed toward ordination on Nov. 30, as co-pastor at Assembly Mennonite Church.

Joe D. Smucker '95 and **Teresa Loss Smucker '96**, Iowa City, Iowa, celebrated the birth of Thomas Joseph on May 1. He joins Jacob, 2. Joe is assistant professor in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Iowa and has a full-time practice in adult spine surgery, spinal trauma and spinal cord injury. He is also co-director of the Iowa Spine Research Center and the Bone Healing Research Laboratory. Teresa is a stay-at-home mom.

Tim J. Stoltzfus-Dueck '99, Goshen, graduated from Princeton University with a Ph.D. in plasma physics in January and received a two-year post doctoral research position with Alexander von Humboldt Foundation to work at the Max Plank Institute in Garching, Germany. He and **Katie A. Stoltzfus-Dueck '97** lived with a host family while learning German in language school for four months before Tim began his work in plasma research.

Jim C. Strouse '99, Brooklyn, N.Y., wrote and directed another movie, *The Winning Season*, a comedy centered on a has-been coach who is given a shot at redemption when he's asked to run his local high school's girls basketball team. The film was one of 200 films selected from more than 9,000 submissions for exhibition at the Sundance Film Festival in January.

Kerry M. Stump '98, Goshen, has worked as a network engineer for MapleTronics Computers for nine years. He recently earned his Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist certification to go along with A+ and Exchange 2003 MCP certifications.

Phil C. Swartzendruber '98, Portland, Ore., successfully defended his doctoral thesis on March 6 at the University of Washington, Seattle. His subject was "The distribution and speciation of mercury in the free troposphere of the Pacific Northwest."

Ariann D. Veenstra-Lawhorn '99, Mishawaka, Ind., was elected to the board of directors for Michiana Society for Human Resource Management and serves as the certification and membership representative. She is also a certified senior professional in human resources, credentials obtained by only 980 professionals in the state of Indiana.

Dawn Myers Warkentin '98 and Ryan Warkentin, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, celebrated the birth of Easton Carter on Oct. 8, 2008. He joins Cassia, 3.

Kris Weaver-Miller '95 and Mark Miller, Flagstaff, Ariz., celebrated the birth of Lael Maya Miller on Nov. 24. She joins Benjamin, 2.

Amy Fryberger Werner '99 and Rusty Werner, Phoenix, Ariz., celebrated the birth of Dustyn on March 20, 2008.

Monroe L. Yoder '99 and Anika Yoder and their three children, Garrett, 9, Megan, 6, and Bryce, 4, live in Fort Wayne, Ind., where Monroe is a partner with Associates Anesthesiologists of Fort Wayne. He completed his M.D. from Indiana University School of Medicine in 2003 and completed an anesthesiology residency at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, in 2007.

NEWS 2000

Curtis L. Burkholder and Amy Burkholder, Indianapolis, Ind., celebrated the birth of Braden Lee on Jan. 22.

Steve R. Clemens, Jesse Miller '02 and **Luke Miller '02**, Glenside, Pa., along with Mike Rempel and Chuck Morris have produced a new album *Hammerstrike*, mixing elements of electronic dance music with organic rock instrumentation. Their group Lotus was formed in 1999.

Melissa Fisher Fast, Elkhart, Ind., was ordained as a pastor at Sunnyside Mennonite Church on March 1.

Jonathan A. Kooker, New York, N.Y., was featured in an article in *Fortune* magazine, describing his innovative approach to his job search. His approach netted three job offers, one of which he accepted from a firm in Israel.

Penn G. Miller and Caryn Miller, Akron, Pa., celebrated the birth of Soren Langston on March 28. He joins Brisa, 2. Penn teaches language arts at Ephrata Middle School.

Griffen Bishop O'Shaughnessy and Ryan O'Shaughnessy, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Leighton Helene on March 22.

Andy G. Reeser and **Beth White Reeser**, Heyworth, Ill., celebrated the birth of Grant Jacob on Dec. 20. Beth continues to work in marketing at the Illinois Bariatric Center and Andy works as a project manager in information technology at State Farm's corporate headquarters.

Andrew E. Schiedel and **Karen L. Martin Schiedel**, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, celebrated the birth of Caleb on Oct. 1, 2008.

Ben Smucker and **Rachel Mast Smucker '01**, Shaker Heights, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Anna Magdalena on April 1. She joins Mary Elizabeth, 2.

Anne E. Waltner, Cleveland, Ohio, is a doctoral student in collaborative piano at the Cleveland Institute of Music and is also the director of music at Church of the Redeemer (United Methodist) in Cleveland Heights. During the month of March, she went home to Freeman, S.D., to conduct the orchestra for *Into the Woods* during the town's annual Schmeckfest, a "Festival of Tasting" that celebrates Russian Mennonite culture and heritage.

DEATH

Connor James Sauder Neff, son of **Jim Neff** and **Kelly Sauder Neff '01**, Goshen, was born on Dec. 31 and died Jan. 7.

NEWS 2001

Karen Troyer Chandler and Eric Chandler, Elkhart, Ind., celebrated the birth of Quinn Stevan on April 2.

Anna Engelsone, Rockville, Md., received a Ph.D. in operations research from North Carolina State University in 2006. She works as a senior modeler for JDA Software.

Alison C. Franks, Saint Louis, Mo., is a home missionary in the Good News Club Ministry for Child Evangelism Fellowship of the Greater St. Louis Chapter in St. Charles.

Laura Gunden Green and Sam Green, New Paris, Ind., celebrated the birth of Amelia Elizabeth on May 25. She joins Annalisse, 3.

Deep Halder completed a M.B.A. in 2008 from INSEAD, a graduate business school in France. Deep and **Preeti Kela**

Halder '03 moved to Seoul, South Korea, in 2009 where Deep works with Samsung Group as global strategist.

Jackie R. Hathaway completed a master's degree in bilingual/multicultural education with distinction from Northern Arizona University. She is currently residing in Gaithersburg, Md., teaching ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages) for Montgomery County Public Schools. She is taking post-graduate courses at Johns Hopkins University to obtain certification in educational administration and supervision.

Vickie Siwinski Hays, Cromwell, Ind., works as a science liaison for grades K-6 at Monger Elementary School.

Michael D. Jessie and **Kelly Windler Jessie '03**, Fowler, Ind., celebrated the birth of Owen Matthew on March 5. He joins Aiden, 2 1/2.

Joel Jimenez and **Rachel Beyeler Jimenez '02**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Penelope Isabel on Feb. 2. She joins Ian, 3.

Gaurav Khandelwal, Houston, Texas, and Seema Doshi were wed March 21. Gaurav was selected as one of the 40 under 40 honorees for 2009 at *Houston Business Journal*'s annual Celebrate! Enterprise program on May 21. Gaurav is president of ChiONE Inc., a Web agency working with clients such as Microsoft, Intel, AT&T and T-mobile helping them launch new products and services on the Web. **Raunak Khandelwal '06** is vice president of ChiONE.

Ryan M. Kolb, Souderton, Pa., was promoted in January to executive director of the Montgomery County Mediation Center, where he has worked for six years.

Sarah Jo Bock Lalk and Brad Lalk, Waterloo, Iowa, celebrated the birth of Tate James on July 25, 2008. He joins Lucas, 2. Sarah continues to teach seventh grade language arts at Hoover Middle School.

Laura S. Litwiller, Washington, D.C., spent August 2008 to February 2009 as an intern with the Center for Global Education in Cuernavaca, Mexico, as part of her master's degree program in international education at the School for International Training in Vermont. She is working on her thesis on reciprocity in host communities in cross-cultural education programs.

Mandy Larson Miller, Goshen, is the education director at the Boys & Girls Club of Middlebury.

Brian S. Miller and **Janice R. Eigsti Miller**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Preston Eigsti Miller on Feb. 17.

Matt R. Rittenhouse and **Emily Martin Rittenhouse '02**, Souderton, Pa., celebrated the birth of Elyse Noelle on Dec. 11. She joins Olivia, 2.

Sophie Histand Schneible and Paul Schneible, Gilbertsville, Pa., celebrated the birth of Caeden on Feb. 6, 2008. He joins Dominic, 6, and Luke, 3.

Jesse D. Sensenig, Fort Collins, Colo., is enrolled in the master of social work program at Colorado State University and works as a wrap-around counselor in the mental health field. **Amanda Johnson Sensenig '03** earned a master's degree in cognitive psychology in December and is working on a doctoral dissertation and teaching courses at Colorado State University.

Jonathan A. Yawson, Columbus, Ohio, works as a computer forensics professional for KPMG in Columbus. Jonathan married Linda Ampadu in July 2006. They have a son Jayden, born Aug. 31, 2007.

NEWS 2002

Jessica Bontreger, Ann Arbor, Mich., and **Jay Lapp**, Goshen, were married May 2. Jessica continues to work as a registered nurse on a neurology/neurosurgery/otolaryngology unit at the University of Michigan Medical Center as well as being self-employed part time as a massage therapist.

Alyson Troyer Fortin and Paul Fortin, Middlebury, Ind., celebrated the birth of Drew Walker Fortin on April 26. He joins Jenna, 3.

Claudia Davenport Fransen and **Timothy F. Fransen '03**, Fairview, Ore., celebrated the birth of Emily Elizabeth on March 12.

Aaron C. Gosser, Saint Paris, Ohio, was promoted to assistant professor of studio art at Cedarville University, effective August 2009, after serving as a faculty member since 2005.

Daniel C. Lanctot, Bristol, Ind., and **Kristin Buller '04**, Goshen, were married on July 26, 2008, and now live in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Kristin works at Social Services of Cambodia, a local nongovernmental organization, as a training manager/social work adviser. Daniel works independently, doing community media and video training with indigenous communities.

Jeff S. Martin and **Lisa Rose Miller Martin '04**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Jared Alexander on Dec. 30.

Jessica Johns Mast and Justin Mast, Aurora, Colo., celebrated the birth of Philip Johns Mast on July 4, 2008.

Steve E. Nafziger and **Laura Kauffman Nafziger**, Archbold, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Adelynn Grace on Jan. 9. She joins Julisa, 2.

Josh D. Nice and Alexis Nice, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Ellianna Elizabeth on April 2. She joins Jeremiah, 18 months.

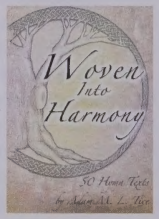
Sara J. Penner, Brownsburg, Ind., graduated in May from Indiana University, Bloomington, with a master's degree in language education and English as a new language.

Rachel Paulovich Sartori and Eric Sartori, Phoenix, Ariz., celebrated the birth of Eliana Anisa on Dec. 20. Rachel teaches the sheltered English immersion class at Longview Elementary School in the Osborn School District in Phoenix.

Mindy Holsopple Schlegel and Peter Schlegel, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Levi Benjamin on Jan. 26. He joins Naomi, 18 months.

Neesa Rutter Stuckey and David Stuckey, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Owen David on Dec. 18. He joins Amelia, 3.

Adam M. Tice, Hyattsville, Md., published *Woven Into Harmony* (2009), a collection of 50 of his hymn texts paired with a variety of newly composed and traditional tunes for use in worship. It is available from GIA Publications.



NEWS 2003

Garrett A. Bishop and **Jennifer Springer Bishop** moved to Portland, Ore., in May 2008. Garrett is director of marketing at Environmental Fibers International Recycling Company. Jennifer is a biomechanist at Nike, Inc. They attend Portland Mennonite Church.

Geoff G. Buchholz and **Jennifer Hostetler Buchholz**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Cameron James on April 16.

Daragh J. Deegan and Sarah Deegan, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Ciaran Christopher on Jan. 19.

Dave T. Harder, Hutchinson, Kan., works as associate veterinarian at Prairie Vista Veterinary Hospital. He completed his doctorate of veterinary medicine from the University of Minnesota in May 2008 and defended his master's of public health thesis in June.

Krysta M. Hawkley, Silver Spring, Md., received a master of music degree in piano pedagogy and performance in 2006 from Westminster Choir College, Princeton, N.J., and teaches private and group piano lessons at the Levine School of Music, Washington, D.C. In March she was invited by the Washington Music Teachers Association to be a judge at the ConcertoFest.

Rachel R. Koontz, Goshen, is a medical massage therapist at Beauty by Nature Organic Salon.

Jessica A. Meyers, Dallas, Texas, graduated in May 2008 from the University of California Berkeley School of Journalism with a master's degree in journalism. In June she began working on the international/national desk for *The Dallas Morning News*, and now is a general assignment reporter.

Matt L. Rissler completed a Ph.D. in mathematics at the University of Notre Dame in August and is now assistant professor of mathematics at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa.

Ryan M. Rittenhouse and **Jamie K. Lake '04**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Eva Jeri Lake Rittenhouse on May 5. Ryan works as ITS technical specialist at Goshen College.

Emily C. Rodgers, Pittsburgh, Pa., began a master of fine art program in creative writing at Chatham University, Pittsburgh, and works as the public relations and marketing manager at Calliope: The Pittsburgh Folk Music Society. She also has been signed to Misra Records.

Marc J. Schlegel, Albuquerque, N.M., works for National Farmworkers Service Center as the resident service coordinator managing a community center in a low-income housing complex.

Brandon L. Thompson and Karen Thompson, Granger, Ind., celebrated the birth of Mallory Aidan on Jan. 28.

Vincent K. Yoder and **Gretchen Brenneman Yoder**, Kalona, Iowa, celebrated the birth of Marie Ella on April 17.

NEWS 2004

Rebecca R. Allen, Seattle, Wash., coordinates the citizenship and ESL programs at El Centro de la Raza, a Chicano/Latino civil rights organization in Seattle.

Lindsay Short Doehrmann, Olathe, Kansas, is a clinical resource nurse at Olathe Medical Center.

Julian A. Gingerich, Hubbard, Ore., and Julia Vincent, Aurora, Ore., were wed Dec. 27.

Alaina Smith Kaufman and Jeff Kaufman, Buhler, Kan., celebrated the birth of Reyne Alexa on March 3. Alaina is a stay-at-home mom.

Josh Keister and **Nina Hoogenboom Keister '03**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Karleigh Grace on May 7. Josh is baseball coach and assistant director of the Roman Gingerich Recreation-Fitness Center at Goshen College.

Kendra King, Hesston, Kan., and Mark Horst, Somerset, Pa., were wed Dec. 13. Kendra continues her position as resident director at Hesston College.

Micah R. Rogel, Chicago, Ill., is in her second year of a doctoral program in biomedical engineering at Northwestern University, Evanston. She also works in a lab in the Pulmonary Division of the Medical School, studying the role of vimentin (a type 3 intermediate filament) in epithelial injury and repair with a focus on cellular mechanical properties (the engineering component).

Bethany Blough Simpson and John Simpson, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Ian Robert Blough Simpson on Nov. 5. Bethany continues to work at Square D Company as a service operations specialist.

Janice Miller Troyer, Goshen, was ordained to pastoral ministry on April 19, at Silverwood Mennonite Church.

John I. Weldy and Sarah Beyer, Frankford, Ky., were married March 28. John is the physical education teacher for K-12 grades and the high school drama teacher at Frankfort Christian Academy.

Mark D. Wilson and Tessa Malare Wilson, Rock Hill, S.C., celebrated the birth of Audrey Mallare Wilson on Oct. 4.

Landon Yoder, Washington, D.C., is editor of the *National Wetlands Newsletter* published by the Environmental Law Institute, Washington, D.C.

NEWS 2005

Jennifer Koch Bekhterev and Mikhail Bekhterev, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Lily Renee on March 17. She joins Nathanael, 3, and Jeremiah, 2.

Jessica E. Berkey, Portland, Ore., is employed at McDonald Jacobs, P.C., as a senior associate working primarily as an auditor with nonprofit clients.

Derek C. Bontreger, Goshen, has been working for three years as an administrative assistant at Oaklawn Psychiatric Center. This fall he re-enrolled at Goshen College and entered the transition to teaching program to become an elementary school teacher.

Dan B. Horst and **Jessica Brubaker '08**, Goshen, were married Jan. 10.

Rachel Slatter Gibeault and Paul Gibeault, Boise, Idaho, celebrated the birth of Benjamin Allen on Feb. 13.

Carole Ricketts and Matthew Corey, Haslett, Mich., were wed May 16. Carole is the pastor of Michigan State University Mennonite Fellowship in East Lansing.

Martha Miller Ruggles lives in Chicago, Ill., with her husband Adam. Martha graduated in December 2007 from Rush University with a bachelor's degree in nursing and is currently working on an obstetrics unit at Rush University Medical Center.

Tanya Ash Schenk, Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, is studying to be a therapist assistant at Okanagan College.

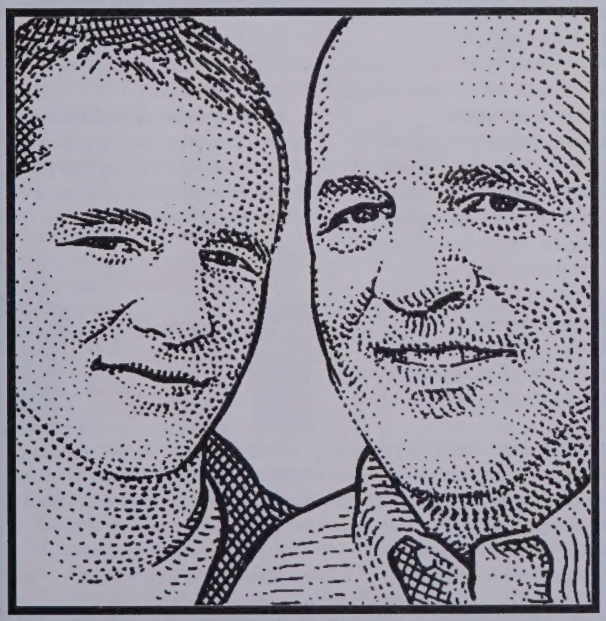
Kate A. Showalter, Pittsburgh, Pa., works as assistant marketing manager for Ambiance Boutique, a nonprofit consignment store and is also studying at the Pittsburgh School of Massage Therapy.

Rachel E. Webster, Reading, Pa., began a three-year term in September with Mennonite Central Committee in Bangladesh as a teacher-trainer. She taught fifth grade for two years in inner-city Reading.

NEWS 2006

Beuford J. Aeschliman, Coral Gables, Fla., is pursuing a master's of architecture degree at the University of Miami. He also works for glass sculptor William Carlson.

Katie A. Bender, Seattle, Wash., was promoted to executive director of Gallery



Graphic provided by The Wall Street Journal Sunday

'Yoder & Son' take a journalistic journey together

Stephen Kreider Yoder '81, San Francisco bureau chief for the *The Wall Street Journal* (WSJ), and his 18-year-old son Isaac decided to do a different kind of father-son project this year. They have been jointly writing a weekly column for the *Journal* called "Yoder & Son."

"Our column has to have some sort of financial groundings each week, but we try to build off each topic to hit a broader theme," Isaac said. "As a result, the column ends up being more about priorities, ethics and family relationships than strictly personal finances."

As readers have followed along with them, they have shared their insights, family conversations and thought processes on such issues as: curfews, cell phone use, choosing a college, paying taxes, when to spend/when to save, job compensation and investing. And regularly, the two respond to readers' feedback and questions in future columns.

"Isaac and I aren't advice columnists," Steve said. "We're more of an in-print reality show. We're trying to portray our arguments, ruminations and blunderings over money issues in hopes of inspiring discussion among our readers' families."

Follow along on their family journalistic journey by visiting **topics.wsj.com/person/y/stephen-kreider-yoder/4321**. You can also e-mail them at yoder&son@wsj.com.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

Concerts in April 2008 after working as development director.

Jaimee Hall Bucks, Elkhart, Ind., has worked as a registered nurse at Elkhart General Hospital for 10 years, the last seven years in the emergency department.

Dominique C. Burgunder-Johnson, Washington, D.C., is the lead online grassroots coordinator for the National Wildlife Federation.

Rachel L. Eisenstat, Denver, Colo., is a resource coordinator for Developmental Pathways, a Colorado nonprofit agency created to serve persons with developmental disabilities and their families.

Anna S. Herdeck, Gracias Lempira, Honduras, is in her second year as a Peace Corps volunteer, working primarily in HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention, and nutrition, hygiene and breastfeeding education and promotion.

Elizabeth M. Miller, Goshen, has continued studies at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, and worked as an English as a new language instructor at Waterford Elementary School in Goshen this past year. In July she and husband Neil Richer began a three-year term with Mennonite Central Committee in Bogota, Colombia. Elizabeth will work as an Anabaptist history and identity promoter.

Kyle D. Reinford, Brooklyn, N.Y., performed in the *Les Miserables* ensemble in Houston, Texas, from March 24 to April 5.

Leah Roggie and Todd Gusler, Goshen, were wed March 28. Leah is a registered nurse in the Center for Heart Care at the Elkhart Clinic.

Meryl W. Roth, Seattle, Wash., is the resident services manager for St. Martin's on Westlake, a permanent supportive apartment building serving formerly homeless men.

Sarah Rohrer Schlegel, Greentown, Ind., was ordained Nov. 16 at Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, Kokomo, Ind. Sarah is the youth pastor.

Jennifer Stepek Schrock and Darin Schrock, New Paris, Ind., celebrated the birth of Lia Abigail on Feb. 22. She joins Myra, 2.

Marcos A. Stoltzfus, Denver, Colo., is in his third year working as the youth programs coordinator at Butterfly Pavilion, an invertebrate zoo in Denver.

Tara S. Yoder, Boulder, Colo., works as a research assistant at InDevR, Inc., an instrument development and research company.

NEWS 2007

Ashe Z. Abebe, Indianapolis, Ind., works for State Farm Insurance as an insurance account representative. He is also head coach of 13-year-old boys for Westfield Youth Soccer Association.

Luke G. Bishop, Conifer, Colo., works as a Final Cut/Avid editor for Crosspoint Productions in Denver.

Sarah L. Buskirk, Baltimore, Md., began an assignment with Mennonite Voluntary Service in January 2008, teaching elementary art and music for grades pre-K through 5 at Baltimore Christian School.

Laura Herr Gillette, Goshen, works in the Circle of Caring Birthplace at Goshen General Hospital. **Jacob Gillette '08** coaches middle school cross country for Northridge as well as teaches physical education at Orchard View Elementary School in Middlebury.

Brooks F. Gingerich, Aurora, Ore., is the high school choir director at Canby (Ore.) High School.

Hannah J. Gingerich, Denver, Colo., works at William Crow Jewelry in jewelry repairs and sales.

David I. Glick, Seattle, Wash., volunteers as a member of the Plone 4 framework team, which shepherds the development of Plone, a prominent open-source Web content management system. He continues to be employed by ONE/Northwest as a Web developer.

Nathan B. Kurtz and **Andrea Nielsen '08**, Mishawaka, Ind., were wed June 21, 2008. Andrea works as a registered nurse in the emergency department at Memorial Hospital. Nathan is in his second year of medical school at the University of Notre Dame campus through Indiana University School of Medicine.

Marelby Mosquera, West Greenwich, R.I., is a field teacher/naturalist for the school programs at W. Alton Jones Campus of the University of Rhode Island. This summer she will work as the coordinator of EcoZoe, an ecology day camp program.

Mary Roberts and **Phil Schmidt '09**, Goshen, were wed Aug. 2, 2008. Mary continues to work as an American Sign Language interpreter. In July they moved to Fresno, Calif., to attend Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary.

Alexandra W. Roth, Salem, Ore., teaches high school and sometimes middle school English at Western Mennonite School.

Stacie Scott and Cody Back, Centreville, Mich., were wed July 28, 2008. Stacie is a special education teacher at Woodland Elementary School in Elkhart, Ind.

Marianne Stegmann and Greg Gaylor III, Roscommon, Mich., were wed Dec. 30. Marianne works as a travel nurse.

Karla A. Yoder, Nappanee, Ind., is a registered nurse in surgery at Goshen General Hospital.

NEWS 2008

Melissa Barnes, South Bend, Ind., and Daniel Unruh, Peabody, Kan., were wed July 26, 2008. The Unruhs reside in South Bend, where Melissa is working at the University of Notre Dame as a lab technician/editorial assistant for a professor in the anthropology department.

Nicole O. Bauman, Shakespeare, Ontario, Canada, completed a year of working as a case manager at Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network. In July she will meet and lead a group of young adults as they join in the Global Youth Summit and Mennonite World Conference Assembly in Asunción, Paraguay.

Terri L. Butler, Geneva, N.Y., is nurse manager of Acute and Emergency Services at Geneva General Hospital.

Krista L. Ehst, Bally, Pa., received the Woodruff Scholarship, a full-tuition scholarship including a $10,000 stipend to study at Candler Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Ga., this fall. She will pursue a master of divinity program with a concentration in congregational and community leadership.

Ashley Luty Graber, North Liberty, Iowa, enjoys her job as a registered nurse at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City.

Brad D. Graber, Sarasota, Fla., works as youth pastor at Bahia Vista Mennonite Church and also part time at Jessica's Stand, an organic farm.

Tara L. Hershberger, San Antonio, Texas, began a one-year assignment with Mennonite Voluntary Service in San Antonio in January. She volunteers at the Magik Children's Theatre where she helps with many areas of production.

Kendall S. Hochstedler, Red Lake, Ontario, Canada, works as a registered nurse part time at Northwood Lodge and part time at Red Lake Margaret Memorial Hospital.

Cathy Brown Klein, Elkhart, Ind., works as an options counselor for REAL Services for the Aging.

Luke N. Kreider, Pittsburgh, Pa., works through PULSE as a pastoral intern at Pittsburgh Mennonite Church and also at the Pennsylvania Office of the American Friends Service Committee. His major project with AFSC is developing a resource highlighting educational and employment opportunities and services (alternatives to the military) for youth and young adults in the Pittsburgh area. This fall he is attending Yale Divinity School, pursuing a master of arts in religion with a concentration in ethics.

Laura E. Leischner, Harrisonburg, Va., works as a specialist with sexual abuse prevention programming, ranging from preschoolers to high school clubs at Collins Center.

Karissa A. Miller, Goshen, and Rylan Miller, Harper, Kan., were married Jan. 24. Karissa began a master of social work program at Wichita State University this fall.

Zach P. Miller, Lawrenceville, Ga., works as an afternoon personality for Federated Media (WLEG).

Jessica L. Moser, Glendale, Ariz., started a 27-month graduate program in occupational therapy in August 2008 at Midwestern University, a health sciences graduate school in Glendale, Ariz.

Mark A. Springer, Goshen, and **Tyler Springer**, Goshen, own and operate Springer Design Inc., a successful screen printing, embroidery, logo development and customized sneaker company in downtown Goshen. Mark is the art manager and Tyler is the sales manager. They were featured in the Spring 2009

Young Money magazine.

Stephanie VanderMaas and Nathan Hershberger, Goshen, were married Sept. 9, 2008. Stephanie works as a registered nurse on the medical-surgical floor at Goshen General Hospital.

NEWS Faculty and staff

Kevin H. Gary (faculty '06-present) and Heather Grennan Gary, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Gabriel Francis on Feb. 9. He joins Evie, 4, and Lucas, 2.

Kristyn C. Sleeseman (faculty '06-present) and Philip Sleeseman, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Kathryn Ayako Amanda on May 14.

Larry R. Yoder (faculty '81-'07), Goshen, received the 2008 Outstanding Service Award from the Indiana Maple Syrup Association.

DEATHS

Susan K. Rhodes (staff '07-'08) died March 21, 2009.

Lores Steury (staff '77-'90) husband of Martha Steury, 303 Reservoir Place, Goshen, IN 46526, died Dec. 12.

Alumni news notes have been edited for length. Go to mygc.goshen.edu/alumni/Alumni_Online/Alumni_News_Notes to read the full-text of news about alumni.

ADULT EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin for group photos of recent trips.

THE CANADIAN ROCKIES

May 28-June 6, 2010

This 10-day tour that includes some of the most scenic locations in all of Canada starts in the beautiful city of Vancouver with visits to Victoria Island and Buchart Gardens. From Vancouver we travel through British Columbia and into Alberta with visits to Jasper, Banff, Lake Louise and ending in Calgary. The tour includes adventures, such as the Capilano Suspension Bridge with a walk over treetops, whale watching, gondola rides to spectacular views, snow coach rides into glacier and ice fields, walks to gorgeous waterfalls, crystal lakes and much more.
Cost: $2,995 for land tour

THE BEST OF TURKEY TOUR

Sept. 16-Oct. 2, 2010

Fourteen-day tour to Turkey, visiting this interesting land where East meets West. Trip includes the Turkeys' cultural and spiritual heart, Istanbul, ancient Troy and Pergamum and the incomparable Ephesis. A three-night cruise along the legendary Turquoise Coast is followed by visits to Cappadocia and Ankara. Hosted by Janette Yoder with Educational Tour and Cruises Mediterranean Director.
Cost: $3,195 without air.

SPANISH AND MOROCCAN SOJOURN

May 19-June 5, 2011*

Plans are being made for a tour that covers the most interesting areas of two fascinating countries.
Spain Tour: Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Cordoba, Granada
Moroccan Tour: Chechaouen, Rabat, Fez and Casablanca.
Associate Professor of Spanish Dean Rhodes has led tours to Spain and recently led May term for GC students in Spain and Morocco. He has many connections with local people to provide experiences that go beyond most tourist sites. Janette Yoder will host the tour.
Cost to be announced. Call for details.
*Dates may vary slightly

REGISTER If one of the trips interests you, call (574) 535-7565 to receive a brochure. Call to get on the "interested" list for the following tours. If there is enough interest, the following tours will be offered:
• 2010 Washington, D.C. • 2011 Egypt • Russia

Continued from inside cover

Received the Fall/Winter *Bulletin* in the mail today and I started reading it as I walked up the drive. Read it from cover to cover this afternoon. Contrary to one letter to the editor, I find it to be a very attractive and well organized publication, which helps to keep me in touch with the GC world. I too think it looks expensive, and I love it. Keep up the good work!

John Zook '65
Golden, Colo.

Thanks for a great issue of the *Bulletin*. My husband, Carroll (Mike) was part of the first SST group to go to Costa Rica in 1968. We returned in 1971 during a honeymoon trip and visited with his Costa Rican families. The experience did transform his life. Last year, our daughter went to Costa Rica by herself to work with Charlie Strong with Strong Missions. She worked in an orphanage and helped with a feeding program set up by the Methodist churches in San Jose and Guadeloupe. No doubt the stories her father told her influenced her desire to go to Costa Rica. Another example of the influence of the SST program long after the college student's experience.

Jane Haines
Eden, N.C.

In response to last issue's "Tell us ..." question:
I graduated from Goshen College in 1974, after having graduated from Lancaster Mennonite High School in 1969. In 1979 I graduated from the University of Michigan School of Social Work, and am now, many years later, enrolled at Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario, in a doctoral program in human studies. I firmly believe that my experiences in Mennonite educational institutions gave me a gold-standard foundation for subsequent academic efforts, and provided a top quality spring-board for my work as a professional social worker. The value of a liberal arts education, combined with the value of an education based on the philosophy of "culture for service," is priceless!

Although my experiences can only be anecdotal, in comparison to most other students at the graduate and doctoral level, I believe that the Mennonite schools I attended gave me an unparalleled, solid academic foundation of the highest quality. It has made the subsequent journey easier than that which many of my fellow students face. While I was a student at LMHS and GC, I had no way of knowing what a top quality education I really was receiving, and am eternally grateful to my parents, both former Goshen College students, for making it possible for me to have a Mennonite education. It has more than adequately prepared me for the broader world beyond the GC doors – and for a journey which I could never then have imagined. Mennonite higher education has much to offer the world beyond the "Mennonite world," and no need to be shy about it! Thanks!

Annie Wenger-Nabigon '74
Sudbury, Ontario, Canada

2009-2010

Performing Arts Series

Goshen College

Featuring performances by

Doc Severinsen and El Ritmo de la Vida (Sept. 19)

Béla Fleck/Zakir Hussain/Edgar Meyer (Oct. 16)

Los Lobos (Nov. 21)

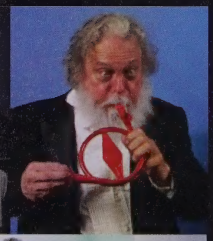
Peter Schickele (Jan. 24)

Ralph Stanley & Clinch Mountain Boys (Feb. 5)

Juilliard String Quartet (Feb. 19)

The Chieftians (March 5)

African Children's Choir (March 30)



For ticket information, call the Welcome Center at (574) 535-7566
or visit www.gcmusiccenter.org

Development Briefs

HOW IT ALL ADDED UP: 2008-09 GIVING

(Fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009)

$3,519,801	Overall giving
$1,900,211	Giving for the Goshen College Fund (unrestricted, annual fund)
4,731	Number of donor households (242 more than last year)
100	Percentage of Board of Directors and Alumni Board members who contributed
57%	Best faculty-staff giving participation rate in 14 years
46%	Best senior class giving participation rate in 10 years
34	Percent of alumni living in Elkhart County who gave
27	Percent of all alumni who gave (increase over last year)

"In a year when many of our friends and alumni faced difficult financial circumstances themselves – including how to balance the very real needs of unemployed neighbors – we are humbled and encouraged by the increases in giving participation rates from all of our stakeholders, including students themselves."

– President James E. Brenneman

STUDENT AID PHONATHON

In spite of the past year's economic instability, student callers received a warm response from Goshen College alumni and friends during this year's fall and spring phonathons. Even before all the pledges arrived, phonathon gifts already topped the last five years at $288,000 by early May. The main goal of phonathon is to raise funds for student aid, which is part of the Goshen College Fund.

"You have opened the student callers' eyes to the 'cloud of witnesses' that have gone before them who believe in and support the mission of Goshen College," said Phonathon Coordinator Rose Shetler.

ED AND MARY SWARTZENDRUBER: A ONE-IN-A-MILLION PAIR

It takes persistence to give away one million dollars. In Ed and Mary Swarztendruber's case, it has taken 55 years of joyful persistence from their first modest gift in 1954, when they were still farming. "We were struggling, believe me," says Ed, "But we believed in giving 10 percent." They hit the million-dollar mark – Ed's long-time goal – in gifts to Goshen College this year. Along the way, they have become the patron saints of the GC Music Department and the Music Center. They have both passed their 90th birthdays and celebrated 70 years of marriage in April.

JODI H. BEYELER

Mary and Ed Swartzendruber

Sitting in the lobby of the Music Center, Ed says, "Every time I come into this building, I'm thrilled." The Swartzendrubers have good reason to feel at home here. Plaques with their names grace the lobby and the beautiful Steinway grand piano on the stage of the Sauder Concert Hall, among other things. They are greeted by nearly everyone who passes by. A student waves on his way to the practice rooms and Mary explains, "He's one of our scholarship students."

The Ed and Mary Swartzendruber Music Scholarships were established in 1984. The first year, two students received the scholarship. In 2008-09, 19 students were recipients. The Swartzendrubers know them by name, treasure their thank-you notes and follow their college careers with interest, attending almost every concert and recital. "For the students," says Professor Emeritus of Music Lon Sherer, "getting a Swartzendruber scholarship was always more than just getting money. It was like joining a family circle."

The Swartzendruber's special passion for the GC Music Department began to take shape when their children Kay (Montgomery) '64 and Doug '68 attended Goshen College. Kay played the flute in the new orchestra and later, Doug played the trumpet. In the early 1960s, the Swartzendrubers sold their farm and Ed eventually went into business as a co-owner of Edd's Supplies, a farm fertilizer supplier in Shipshewana. The Swartzendrubers became charter members of the Associates Giving Club, a group of supporters who commit to giving at least $1,000 at year. Although they never attended college themselves, their scholarships have brought numerous students to Goshen College and their steadfast support has kept the Music Department humming.

One gift in 1973 was especially meaningful. Sherer, the orchestra director was gradually acquiring instruments to expand the orchestra, but his budget was slim and that year his request for an English horn was turned down once again. The horn would have opened up a whole new repertoire for the orchestra, but the price tag of nearly $2,000 was too high.

"The day that I got the negative word about my most recent request we had a recital in the old Assembly Hall," recalled Sherer. "After the concert as we were walking out, I felt a hand on my shoulder and heard, 'Lon, what can I buy for you?' It was Ed." Sherer thought he might be teasing, but answered immediately, "How about an English horn?"

By the time they filed out of Assembly Hall, Ed had agreed to buy it for him. "I was flabbergasted," said Sherer. "Even now it is hard to describe how much that meant to me."

A few weeks later, the professional-quality English horn was debuted during the orchestra's spring concert. "We performed the Dvorák New World Symphony, with the wonderful English horn solo, and dedicated it to Ed and Mary," said Sherer.

Little by little, the Swartzendrubers have given money for music faculty fellowships, visiting musicians, choir clothes, the jazz ensemble and for many, many instruments. They bought Goshen's beautiful harpsichord, a portative organ and so many pianos, they've lost count.

Sixteen years ago, Ed went through treatment for cancer. "When I got well, I said, now I work for the Lord," he says. And so, at age 92, he continues to work full days to support his philanthropic habit.

Where does such a spirit of cheerful giving come from? "God-given, I guess," says Mary. Ed agrees, "I just enjoy it, I guess. I wanted to do it while I was living, too. A lot of people give after they die. I wanted to give it all while I was still living."

–By Judy Weaver '81

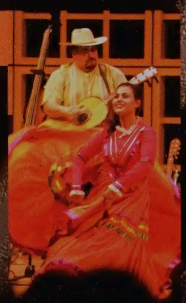
To learn more about creating scholarship funds, contact the Development Office at (574) 535-7558 or e-mail pattyae@goshen.edu.

2009 FALL CAMPUS EVEN

ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND FREE UNLESS INDICATED. CALL (574) 535-7566 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO ORDER TICKETS.
FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF GOSHEN COLLEGE EVENTS, VISIT US ON THE WEB AT WWW.GOSHEN.EDU AND CLICK ON "CALENDAR."

October

Oct. 2-4	**Homecoming Weekend**
Oct. 2	**One Acts**, 8 p.m., Umble Center. $3
Oct. 2-17	**Exhibit: Orus Eash Memorial Architecture**, Library Gallery. Reception Oct. 3, 2-4 p.m.
Oct. 3	**One Acts**, 4 p.m., Umble Center. $3
Oct. 3	**Music Gala**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $8
Oct. 4	**One Acts**, 2 p.m., Umble Center. $3
Oct. 8-11	**Nature Photography Workshop**, Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center. $475, contact (260) 799-5869 or jenniferhs@goshen.edu to register.
Oct. 10	**Faculty Recital Series: Rebecca Hovan, flute & Christine L. Seitz, piano**, 7:30 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5
Oct. 13	**Afternoon Sabbatical – "The Empowered Patient," by Glen E. Miller**, 1 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall.
Oct. 16	**Seventh Annual Grief Seminar**, Church-Chapel Fellowship Hall. Call (574) 535-7400 to learn more.
Oct. 16	**Performing Arts Series: Béla Fleck/Zakir Hussain/Edgar Meyer**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $45, $40, $25
Oct. 21	**Parables worship concert**, 6 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall.
Oct. 23	**Sones de Mexico concert**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. Free with canned food donation.
Oct. 25-Dec. 11	**Exhibit: A Cabinet of Curiosities**, Library Gallery. Reception Oct. 25, 2-4 p.m.
Oct. 30-Jan. 11	**Exhibit: The Dresden Journals – Nicholas Hill**, Hershberger Art Gallery. Reception Nov. 1, 2-3:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	**Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 8 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5
Oct. 31	**Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 8 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5



TS

November

Nov. 1 **Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 3 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

Nov. 6 **Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 8 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

Nov. 6-8 **Family Weekend**

Nov. 7 **Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 3 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

Nov. 7 **GC Choirs & Orchestra, performing Handel's *Messiah***, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $10, $8

Nov. 8 **Fall mainstage: *Big Love***, 3 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

Nov. 10 **Afternoon Sabbatical – Goshen High School Advanced Crimson Choir and Crimsonaires**, 1 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall.

Nov. 13 **Lavender Jazz fall concert: "Within Reach,"** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $7, $5

Nov. 15 **Faculty Recital Series**, 7:30 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5

Nov. 17 **Umble Master Class keynote address: Carl Haarer '79**, 7:30 p.m., Umble Center.

Nov. 20 **Faculty Recital Series: Solomia Soroka, violin & Arthur Greene, piano**, 7:30 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5

Nov. 21 **Performing Arts Series: Los Lobos**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $45, $40, $25]

December

Dec. 4 **A Festival of Carols**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $TBA

Dec. 5 **A Festival of Carols**, 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $TBA

Dec. 6 **A Festival of Carols**, 4 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $TBA

Dec. 8 **Afternoon Sabbatical – Musical Stylings for the Christmas Season**, 1 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall.

Dec. 13 **Moravian hymn sing**, 4 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall.

▷ FOR A SCHEDULE OF SENIOR MUSIC AND THEATER RECITALS, GO ONLINE: WWW.GOSHEN.EDU AND CLICK ON "EVENT CALENDAR."

SPECIAL THANKS TO MABEL V. BRUNK FOR HER RESEARCH AND HER PHOTO.

'EVERY STITCH A LINK OF STRENGTH'

On Sept. 15, 1934, the north end of Coffman Hall's basement was filled with the whir and clacking of a new enterprise: The Maple City Shirt Company.

Because of the economic challenges of the Great Depression, students struggled to afford college and Goshen College had suffered a 15 percent drop in enrollment. Although themselves strapped for cash, faculty extended credit to students; students from west of the Mississippi River received discounts to help pay their transportation and the college unified its attendance fees to a straightforward $187.50 per semester.

In addition, the college enlisted former business manager Joseph E. Brunk '20 to create a new opportunity for student aid. After investigating several enterprises, Brunk arranged for the purchase and transport of shirt factory equipment to Goshen from Maryland. Brunk had estimated the shirts cost $6.36 to produce, and that they might be sold for $7.84.

With Brunk as supervisor and his cousin, Martha Martin '15, as tutor, about 20 students worked in two shifts during the first year. Students like Minnie Sutter '42, who had only been able to scratch together $88 for college, were able to cover the rest of their costs with grants earned in the factory. Over 1,014 dozen blue and gray work shirts were fully made during that year.

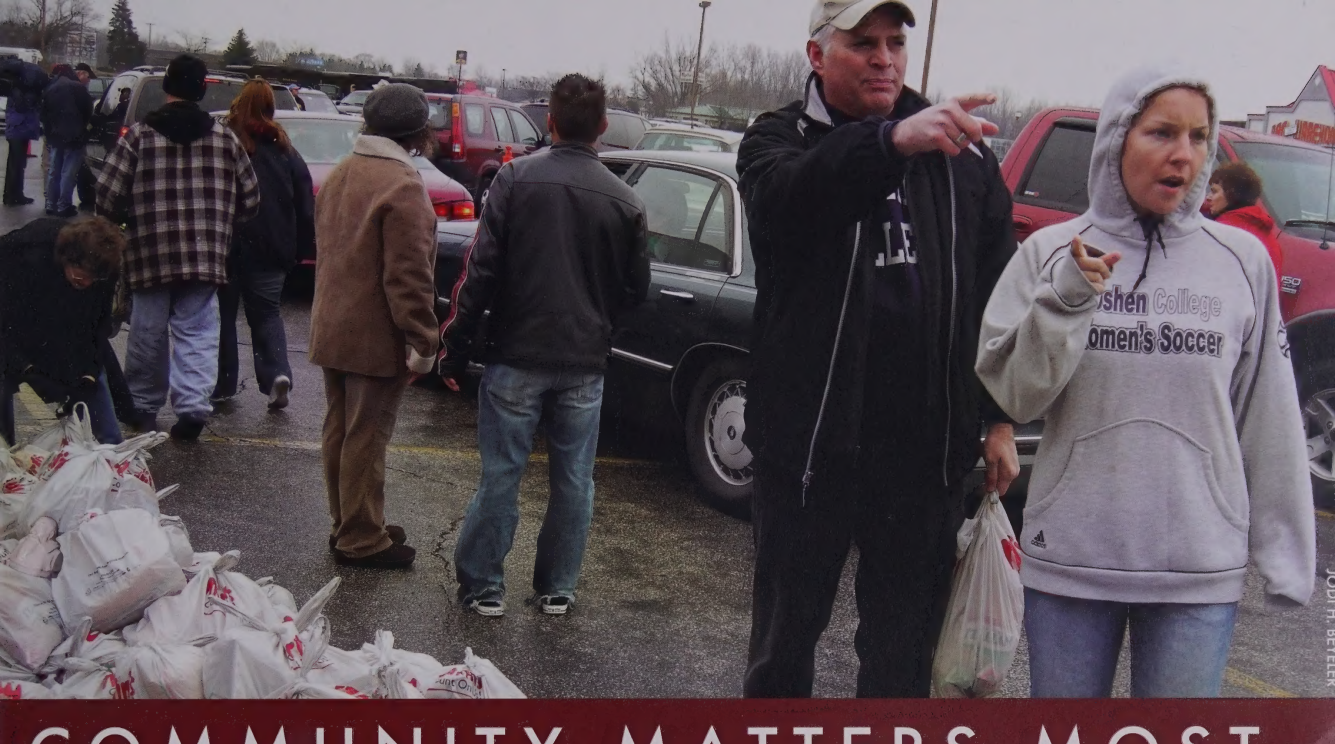
Producing the shirts seems to have been more successful than marketing them though. College representatives on student recruitment trips offered shirts to merchants. And then student Paul W. Miller '39 came up with the slogan – "Every stitch a link of strength" – to advertise the shirts on telephone poles. But merchants complained that customers were reluctant to switch to Maple City shirts.

In its three years of operation, the factory appears not to have produced a business profit, but did successfully provide several dozen students the means to pursue their college education at Goshen.

– Joe Springer
Curator, Mennonite Historical Library

(Above) Supervisor Joe Brunk operates the Maple City Shirt Company in the basement of Coffman Hall.

BULLETIN online Read an extended version of this article and see more photos at www.goshen.edu/bulletin.



COMMUNITY MATTERS MOST

IN TOUGH TIMES

On March 10, 115 Goshen College students, faculty and staff helped the Feed the Children organization distribute food to more than 5,000 Elkhart County families hit hard by recent job losses (above). Throughout the year, the Music Center's Community School of the Arts offers an Acorn Scholarship program, helping Elkhart County children of all income levels receive professional music lessons for as little as $1 per lesson (below). The program received the 2008 Indiana Youth Investment Award, as it has provided $75,000 in scholarships to 170 children since its sliding-scale system began in 2003.

HEALING THE WORLD
PEACE BY PEACE
GOSHEN
1700 South Main Street
Goshen, Indiana 46526

BECAUSE WE ARE CHRIST-CENTERED.
THROUGH SERVANT-LEADERSHIP.
AS GLOBAL CITIZENS.
IN OUR PASSION FOR LEARNING.
WE STRIVE TO MAKE PEACE IN ALL ITS FORMS.

JOE SPRINGER AND JO-ANN BRANT
602 S 7TH ST
GOSHEN IN 46526

IN THE COMING MONTHS YOU'LL BE SEEING A WHOLE NEW SIDE OF GOSHEN

We felt like it was time to make more of a statement. It was time to be bolder — and share the peace-minded, Christ-centered, globally aware energy that has always defined Goshen College. What won't change are the people, the programs, "Culture for Service," the mission or the core values. We're still a leading liberal arts college. We're still music buffs and soccer fans. But more than anything, Goshen is a community of faith — a community dedicated to making a difference. Peace by peace, we're working toward a better world. And we want you to know all about it.

READ MORE ABOUT THIS IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN.

In the meantime, visit:
goshen.edu
peacebypeace.com

HEALING THE WORLD
PEACE BY PEACE
GOSHEN

BULLETIN

E MAGAZINE OF GOSHEN COLLEGE

FALL/WINTER 2009-10

NOV 0 1 2010

Mennonite Historical Library
Goshen College, Goshen, Ind.

Correspondence

Thanks for another outstanding *Bulletin* presentation. Informative, inspiring and artistic. It makes me proud to be an alum.

Jim Greiner '51, Elkhart, Ind.

Thank you very much for sending me the Goshen *Bulletin*. I will forever cherish to receive this magazine. I was so happy to see the picture of my former professor in political science, Professor Lee Roy Berry.

More was his recommendation which enabled me to get admission and scholarship for my graduate studies at Illinois State University. Please pass my greetings to him and family.

Learning political science at Goshen College within the environment of love and peace, politics is far from being "a dirty game" for me even as I lead the church.

Bishop E.K. Nhiwatiwa, Resident Bishop
Zimbabwe Episcopal Area (United Methodist Church)

Thank you for the excellent Spring/Summer 2009 *Bulletin*. I always look to the Alumni News and thanks for organizing them by the years in school.

I am 85 and enjoy remembering the past and really use the 2005 Alumni Directory. Pass this message on to those who authorize such books.

Winifred Erb Paul '46
Scottdale, Pa.

It is another beautiful issue and now that I think I have found Menno I can continue to read the articles!

Barbara Detweiler Gleysteen '54
Goshen, Ind.

I just received my *Bulletin* in the mail. I immediately sat down to read it and find Menno. I have two first years at Goshen College having a great time – Nathan and Hannah Geiser.

Marie Harnish '84
Indianapolis, Ind.

Thanks for another great issue.

Ryan Sauder '97
Lancaster, Pa.

Your production gets better and better.

Irene McCoy Farrand '53
Indianapolis, Ind.

Why, that little bugger is either hungry or some kind of Anabaptist Pez-like food dispenser, since he's hanging out with the bags of food to be distributed through Feed the Children on the inside back cover (p. 53). For some reason, I like the idea of flipping up Menno's head and seeing a jar of donated peanut butter slide out of his neck. But perhaps that's just me…

Ryan Miller '95/faculty 2000-02
Goshen, Ind.

Just got my *Bulletin* today, and really enjoy reading about how Goshen is keeping its' student body challenged and enriched. Keep up the great job!

Mary Wenger, parent of Aedra Wenger Andrade '95
Vancouver, Wash.

I just received my copy of the *Bulletin* and read it cover to cover. I usually tell myself I will just sit down and glance through it, but always end up reading nearly every article, especially if they have anything to do with international study.

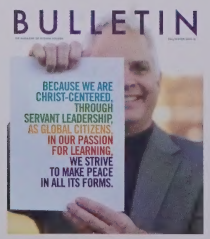
Carol Smucker '79
Spokane, Wash.

Thanks for some brightness on this dreary day with the first substantial snowfall of the season.

Mary Beyler '72
Obihiro, Hokkaido, Japan

Send your letters of response to the *Bulletin* to gcbulletin@goshen.edu or to Goshen College *Bulletin*, 1700 S. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526.

ABOUT THE COVER


BULLETIN
BECAUSE WE ARE CHRIST-CENTERED, THROUGH SERVANT LEADERSHIP, AS GLOBAL CITIZENS, IN OUR PASSION FOR LEARNING, WE STRIVE TO MAKE PEACE IN ALL ITS FORMS.

Photography by Jodi H. Beyeler, illustration by Rachel Campagnoli

As you will see in this issue of the *Bulletin*, a whole new kind of peace movement is underway at Goshen College. And President Brenneman is leading the way (see p. 1) as we strive to make peace in all its forms: with ourselves, with each other, with the world, with God. The boldness of this message can also be seen in several recent commercials we created and a group of letters that current students wrote about how they are making peace. Check them out at **www.goshen.edu/go**, and while you are there, request your free peace patch.

BULLETIN
Fall/Winter 2009-10
Vol. 94, No. 2

www.goshen.edu/bulletin
gcbulletin@goshen.edu

Jim Caskey '84
Vice president for institutional advancement

Richard R. Aguirre
Editor

Jodi H. Beyeler '00
Assistant editor

Rachel Campagnoli
Art director

Myrna Yoder Kaufman '66
Editorial assistant

Kelli Burkholder King '77
Director of alumni, church and parent relations

Karen Sommers
Alumni office assistant

Thushan Hemachandra '05
Web designer/coordinator

Isaiah Goertz '06
Web designer/developer

Submit alumni news notes and address changes to:

Goshen College
College Relations
1700 South Main Street
Goshen, IN 46526-4794
E-mail: alumni@goshen.edu
Web: www.goshen.edu/alumni

The Goshen College *Bulletin* (ISSN 0017-2308) is published three times yearly by Goshen College, 1700 South Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526-4794. Second-class postage is paid at Goshen, Ind., and at additional mailing offices.

Postmaster: Send address changes to Goshen College Bulletin, 1700 South Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526. Lithographed in the United States.

Be green! When you are finished reading this issue, please recycle it or pass it on to a friend.

GOSHEN COLLEGE
HEALING THE WORLD PEACE BY PEACE

Healing the world, peace by peace

WHEN I THINK of the most basic of all human longings, found in all religious traditions the world over, and especially in the Christian faith, I think about the longing to be at peace with God our Creator and Redeemer, to be at peace with our fellow human beings and to be at peace with our own selves. Making peace in all its forms seems to me to be so fundamental to human flourishing that one would imagine every college and university would claim such a message for itself. And yet, they have not done so. I am so pleased that Goshen College has!

If God's name is Peace (Judges 6:24), if God's Son is our Peace (Eph. 2:14), if we worship such a God, and if we put God before everything else, then the scope of our peacemaking must be deep and wide. Making peace can never be just about conflict resolution, reconciliation or reducing evil. Nor can making peace simply be about nonviolence, being anti-this or anti-that or trying to stop wars or protesting wrong – as important as those activities are.

Making peace must be about human flourishing, joy, beauty and celebration. The prophet Isaiah dreams of a day when the children of the world will be taught by Rabbi God how to create shalom (great prosperity) for the whole world (Isa. 54:13). Pope John Paul II, sounding a similar refrain, once said, "To reach peace, teach peace." Philosopher Nicholas Walterstorff called such a vision "educating for shalom." And Albert Einstein insisted that lasting peace "can only be achieved by understanding. [It] cannot be kept by force." Prophet, pope, philosopher and scientist – all came to the same conclusion, that the outcome of a good education grounded in faith and core values, the kind we are committed to providing here at Goshen College, should be lasting peace in all its forms. A liberal arts education doesn't get much better than that.

Making peace means inviting God to be present in our lives, day by day, minute by minute. Making peace means doing good, celebrating accomplishments and competing well. Making peace means discovering new medicines, creating a musical masterpiece, teaching a child to read. Making peace is a warm embrace, the thrill of a kiss, a word of encouragement and a job well done. Making peace, as expressed throughout this issue of the *Bulletin*, is anything and everything that encourages human flourishing and hope.

We cannot go back to the old "peacenik" days of yesteryear, when the work of peace was too often reduced to a pet list of sanctioned professions, or callings, or issues, or narrow means to the exclusion of other equally powerful peace-making options. A businessperson in a manufacturing company must not be viewed as a second-class peacemaker to a voluntary service worker in some faraway country. An engineer is no less called to make peace than a preacher. A basketball coach who works miracles of heart, motivation, discipline and teamwork may, in fact, outpace a bookish theologian in creating a more peaceful world. The social policy expert in Washington, D.C., is no less a potential peacemaker than the social worker on Skid Row, the politician no less than the mediator, the wonky green economist no less than the radical prophet. Dolores Huerta, the Latina civil rights leader, said in 2008 when she visited campus: "Every person can make a difference, and every minute is a chance to change the world!" I agree.

What matters most? What matters most is a world at peace with God, with each other and with ourselves. At Goshen College, "Healing the World, Peace by Peace" is more than a catchy phrase, a clever slogan; it is a promise to live by, a vocation, a holy calling. So, let there be faithful followers and deep thinkers, soccer games and poetry jams. Let there be movie nights and recycling days. Let there be Goshen College, ever singing, honor to our Master bringing. And, yes, let there be peace on earth!

Jim Brenneman

Dr. James E. Brenneman
President of Goshen College

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin to listen to a podcast of President Brenneman reading his column.

BULLETIN

FALL/WINTER 2009-10

Inside Front Cover Correspondence

1 What Matters Most ...

5 Campus News

11 Athletics

12 Homecoming Weekend

26 Fine Arts/Scholarship

28 Alumni Crossings

29 Journeys: Alumni News

45 Investing in Culture for Service

46 Events Calendar

48 Lasting Ties

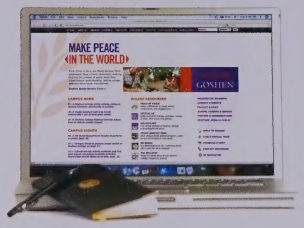
Inside Back Cover Maple Moment

New banners adorn light poles around campus this fall to share more explicitly the college's commitment to "healing the world, peace by peace." The Broken Shield, in the background, has suggested that same message since it was created by Associate Professor of Art John Mishler in 1981. The sculpture – made from recycled metal found in a junk yard – reflects the message of Isaiah 2:4 that says nations should "beat their swords into ploughshares" and "neither shall they learn war any more." Though it has been the center of a number of pranks over the years, the bright sculpture has much more often been the focal point for the campus to gather for prayer vigils in relation to war or other significant causes.

14 PEACE AND HOSPITALITY
Professor of Peace, Justice & Conflict Studies Joe Liechty '78 offers a definition of peace that encompasses hospitality.

16 PROFILES OF PEACE
A look at the innovative ways some alumni are making peace based on Goshen College's core values and "Culture for Service."

23 ACT FOR PEACE
Ten tips for advancing peace, plus a page where you can state how you're making peace in the world.



Spreading peace – one tweet at a time

EARLIER THIS YEAR, Pope Benedict XVI directed priests to embrace web-based communication tools, such as e-mail, blogs, Twitter and his own YouTube channel and Facebook page, to promote dialogue with people of other religions and cultures. Priests, the pope said, are "challenged to proclaim the Gospel by employing the latest generation of audiovisual resources."

The pope's call for a cyber-ministry triggered predictably pun-filled – and painful – headlines such as "Pope to priests: Go forth and blog" (*The Washington Post*), "Holy tweet! YouTube-era pope urges blogging for faith" (*USA Today*) and "Blessed are the Bloggers" (*News of the World*).

While the Vatican is only now embracing online communication, many religious organizations have years of experience using the Internet to spread the faith as well as to promote peace and justice. At Goshen College, for example, we have long used e-mail and www.goshen.edu to communicate with alumni and friends as well as the campus community and prospective students.

In mid-January 2009, we increased our online outreach to Goshen College fans by adding a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/goshencollege). We're using the social networking site to report on the amazing accomplishments of our alumni, faculty and students, to foster conversation, to promote campus events, to show photographs and videos and, most important, to connect alumni. We're encouraged by the initial results. After three months we had 300 fans and then doubled that total by the end of May. We crossed the 1,000-fan threshold on June 23. And as of the end of January 2010, we had more than 2,100 fans – and rising.

In August we added an innovative Web site – **www.PeacebyPeace.com** – to spread our peace message of "Healing the World, Peace by Peace," to a broader audience. The aim of this site is as direct as its opening screen, which states: "Peacemaking is anything but passive. It requires action. Compassion. Engagement. To make peace, you need to find common ground and be ready to make some waves. Find out how." Our hope is that PeacebyPeace.com will take on a life of its own by providing a state-of-the-art venue for alumni, students, faculty and staff – and people from throughout the world – to embrace and further our goal of promoting peace.

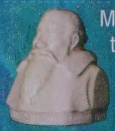
Users are encouraged to engage through four distinct sections. "Speak your peace" invites people to describe how they are making peace in their lives through written reflections, photographs or videos. "Wear peace" gives you the chance to order a free "peace" fabric patch and then to post a photograph of yourself wearing the patch or to suggest a new peace slogan. "Visualize Peace" welcomes creative people to share their vision of the world by posting photos of their original artwork. Finally, the "Peace Heroes" section offers introductions to peacemakers from around the world, and asks people to nominate a peace hero.

PeacebyPeace.com is still in its infancy and it may be many more months before it takes on a life of its own and attracts a devoted following. For now, we have faith that we have planted a small seed which we hope will grow as the Goshen College community and friends worldwide contribute their wisdom, dreams and hopes for building a peaceable community. Join us!

Richard R. Aguirre

Director of Public Relations
rraguirre@goshen.edu

FIND MENNO



Menno could have been a GC alum, as he also lives out the motto of "Culture for Service." We heard from 71 of you who correctly found Menno in the Spring/Summer 2009 issue on the inside back cover, laying amongst the bags of food that were being given out to families in Elkhart County.

We love hearing from all of you as you find where Menno is hiding (he looks just like the graphic above, just a little smaller). So, when you do, submit your entry to gcbulletin@goshen.edu by March 26, 2010, for a chance to win. Be sure to include your name, hometown and graduation year/affiliation with Goshen College.

From the correct submissions, we chose at random five lucky winners to receive limited-edition *Bulletin* T-shirts:

Dara Joy Jaworowicz '09, Kentwood, Mich.
Vietta Cender Nofziger '60, Milford, Ind.
Jan Roth '72, Noblesville, Ind.
Patricia Brenneman Santiago '53, Harrisonburg, Va.
Mary Wenger, Vancouver, Wash., parent of Aedra Wenger Andrade '95

First-year student enrollment best in 27 years

△ First-year student Lewis Caskey (right), from Goshen, moves his things into his dorm room during the college's Orientation Weekend for new students.

JODI H. BEYELER

Community colleges and public universities were expecting significant increases in enrollment last fall, but they are not the only educational institutions bucking the economic downturn.

College officials reported a first-time freshmen class of 238 students, the largest for the college in 27 years (there were 239 students in 1982). It was a 39 percent increase over the 2008-09 incoming class.

The Goshen College enrollment team attributed the positive numbers to many factors, in addition to noticing that in this economy students are looking to stay closer to home to save money on travel costs and to increase convenience.

Vice President for Enrollment Management Lynn Jackson noted several measures the college had taken over the past year to ensure desired recruitment in the midst of unprecedented economic times. The college pushed students to apply sooner to get a better understanding of what their financial aid package might be compared with other colleges. Additional need-based grants were given this year because of the economy. Coaches contributed to the enrollment increase with larger rosters. And the college marketed itself more aggressively in Northern Indiana than ever before, including regional television advertising to increase awareness.

College officials also reported a head count of 974 students in the undergraduate program and a total headcount of 1,017 students, including graduate programs. This is the largest total headcount since 2000, when there were 1,041 students.

This year's graduate total includes an all-time high of 43 full- and part-time students enrolled in the college's two programs – a master of science degree in nursing and a master of education degree in environmental education. Last year, 28 graduate students were enrolled. In addition, 54 students are enrolled in the two Division of Adult and External Studies degree-completion programs – the bachelor of science in organizational leadership and the bachelor of science in nursing for registered nurses.

Retention – a key measure of student satisfaction – also continues to be high at Goshen College. The latest figures show that 85 percent of the 2008-2009 first-year students were enrolled this fall. This marks the seventh year in a row of retention rates at or above 80 percent.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF 2013:

Average GPA: **3.59**
Average SAT score: **1110**
Average ACT composite score: **24**
48 percent are from Indiana
131 high schools represented
62 percent female, **38 percent** male
34 denominations are represented,
50 percent are Mennonite
31 percent have parents who are alumni
Top declared majors are **nursing, biology, education, music and communication**

GC ranked well by Forbes and U.S.News

Goshen College ranks in the top 4.5 percent of U.S. colleges and universities, according to Forbes magazine and the Center for College Affordability and Productivity (CCAP). In its second annual ratings of America's Best Colleges, Goshen College placed 177th on an elite list of 600 institutions – selected from more than 4,000 U.S. colleges and universities – based on its quality of education, affordability, student satisfaction, achievements by alumni and several other factors. Sixteen Indiana schools made the top 600 list, with Goshen placing seventh among them.

Goshen College placed 131st out of 249 liberal arts colleges in the 2010 "America's Best Colleges" rankings by *U.S.News & World Report*. Last year it was ranked 149th out of 265. Goshen continues to be ranked in the third tier of Best Liberal Arts Colleges for the ninth straight year.

In addition, Goshen was ranked sixth for the percentage of graduates studying abroad among all colleges and universities, with 85 percent. And among liberal arts colleges, Goshen was given special recognition for being a "least debt" college, having a high freshmen retention rate, low acceptance rate, low class sizes, and for the economic and racial diversity among its students, as well as a high percentage of international students.

Roth completes Mennonite book trilogy

How do the practices, habits and routines of worship form Christian – and specifically Mennonite – identity? Professor of History John D. Roth (above) explores these questions in his new book "Practices: Mennonite Worship and Witness," (Herald Press, 2009). "Practices" is the final book in his three-volume series on Mennonite identity in the 21st century.

In "Practices," Roth examines the traditions of Anabaptist-Mennonite worship, focusing especially on how worship is related to ethics and to the church's mission. Among other expressions of worship, Roth reflects on how distinctive Mennonite practices such as baptism, communion, foot washing and common meals extend beyond the church as a witness to the world.

The first two books in Roth's series were "Beliefs: Mennonite Faith and Practice" (Herald Press, 2005), and "Stories: How Mennonites Came to Be" (Herald Press, 2007).

Climate Action Plan finalized to reduce carbon impact

President Jim Brenneman finalized Goshen College's Climate Action Plan and submitted it to the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). The plan documents the college's commitment to reducing campus greenhouse gas emissions and outlines initiatives designed to achieve an overall goal of climate neutrality as well as a set of steps that will teach students the skills they will need to help society do the same.

"Climate change presents us with a societal emergency and a moral imperative for innovation," said President Brenneman. "The campus has made good progress in the last 20 years in conserving energy use, but much more can be done to reduce the college's negative impact on the earth's climate. This climate action plan represents a significant effort toward responsible global citizenship, one of Goshen College's core values."

The plan to reduce the college's carbon impact to zero includes exploring creative ways to reduce the carbon-based energy usage; pursuing alternative carbon-free energy sources; and promoting carbon sequestration, credits or offsets.

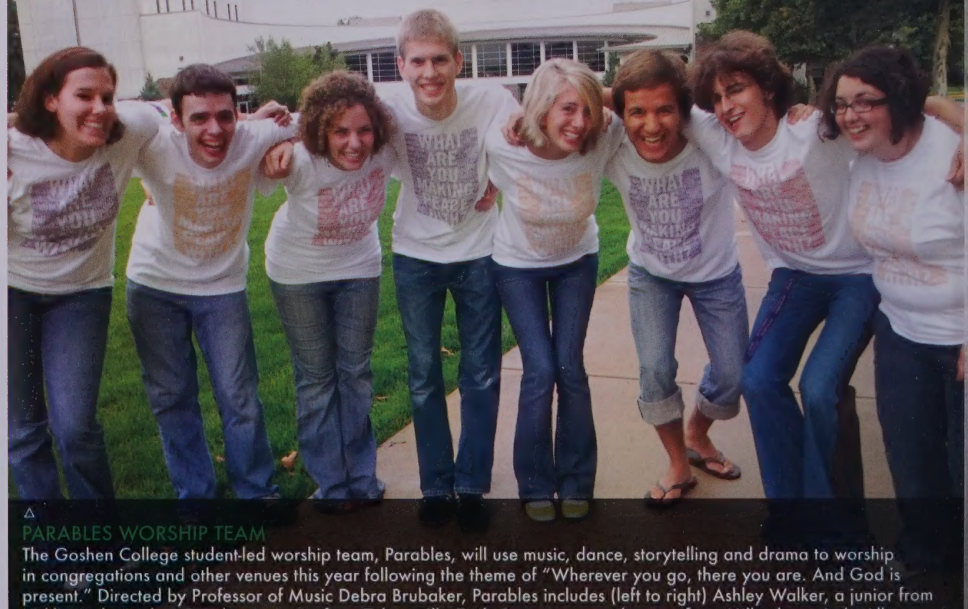
The college's climate action plan is expected to be primarily a self-funded effort. The creation of a Revolving Assets for Sustainability Projects will help with this, funding renewable energy, energy efficiency and other cost-saving projects. Through a revolving mechanism that draws operational cost-savings from projects funded, the fund will replenish itself while still providing cost savings to the college.

The climate action plan notes that during 2008-09, Goshen College was responsible for the net emissions of approximately 9,500 metric tons of carbon dioxide, which is about 10.4 metric tons per student. Scientists say that greenhouse gas emissions are changing climates, threatening the planet's ecosystems and its economy and threatening many lives.

The college has already made impressive progress in reducing emissions. The campus has been able to reduce emissions generated by natural gas consumption by more than one percent per year for more than 10 years. It has reduced emissions generated by electrical consumption by more than three percent per year for the past seven years.

Read more about Goshen College's ecological stewardship at **www.goshen.edu/gogreen**.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler



△ PARABLES WORSHIP TEAM

The Goshen College student-led worship team, Parables, will use music, dance, storytelling and drama to worship in congregations and other venues this year following the theme of "Wherever you go, there you are. And God is present." Directed by Professor of Music Debra Brubaker, Parables includes (left to right) Ashley Walker, a junior from Kirklin, Ind.; Reuben Sancken, a junior from Tolono, Ill.; Emily Bowman, a sophomore from Millersburg, Ind.; Allen Shenk, a senior from Findlay, Ohio; Rachel Nafziger, a sophomore from Harrisonburg, Va.; Jay Mast, a sophomore from Goshen; Aaron Kaufmann, a sophomore from Tiskilwa, Ill.; and Molly Kellogg, a junior from Candor, N.Y.

For more information about Parables and scheduling the group, contact Bethany Swope at (574) 535-7119 or e-mail churchrelations@goshen.edu.

JODI H. BEYELER

△ The "Passing on Traditions" group in the fall 2009 hold up the Batik wall hanging that was auctioned at the Relief Sale: (left to right) first-year student Sophie Lapp, Shirley Dyck, Rebecca Sommers, Joy Hess, Talashia Keim, Vera Schmucker, Phoebe Lederach, Florence Nussbaum and first-year student Amanda Kwist.

JODI H. BEYELER

Art of quilting lives on across generations

Usually when college students attend the annual Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale, they see quilts auctioned off for the good cause of global relief which were made by people who remind them of their grandmothers back home.

But at this year's Relief Sale in late September, some Goshen College students were the creators of #244 in the quilt program book: a 62-inch-square sampler wall hanging with an international feel of blue, purple, red and yellow Batik fabrics.

The quilt was the culmination of a new program, "Passing on Traditions," which has not only produced contributions to aid in international relief and development, but has also built bridges of friendship across generations.

During weekly Wednesday night gatherings after a light supper together, about 50 college students – both men and women of varying levels of experience – contributed to the quilt during the spring of 2009. Though the group participants changed weekly, they cut the fabric, arranged the blocks and sewed them together. And they were joined by about 20 avid quilters from College Mennonite Church (CMC) to do the framing and quilting over several months. During these evenings together, students also learned how to tie comforters and knit, while sharing stories and fellowship as their hands and fingers moved needles and thread to create something new.

Kelly Frey, a sophomore nursing major from Shipshewana, Ind., attends CMC on Sundays while in school. "I learned that quilting and knitting with women equals quality conversation and bonding," Frey said. "It's nice to know that these women are thinking of us throughout the week; I know they are praying for me, and that is comforting."

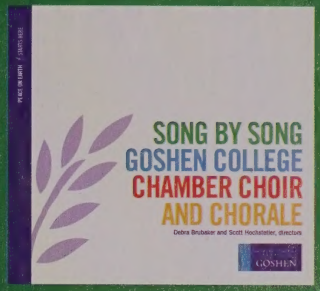
The group was formed out of the theatrical production of "Quilters" in May 2008. Professor of Music Deb Brubaker, a quilter herself, was directing the musical, and in teaching the actresses and crew how to quilt, excitement and interest developed for the lost art. She made connections with College Mennonite Church, which shares the college campus, and the idea for a longer term opportunity to learn the art and craft of quilting was developed by Edna Rieth and others from the church's Mennonite Women group. When "Passing on Traditions" began in the fall semester, the group quickly knotted five comforters to send to refugee camps through Mennonite Central Committee.

"The students seem to like that the projects go to serve others," said Rebecca Sommers, a long-time quilter that has offered her expertise for this project.

When the 2009 Relief Sale quilt auction was over, the Batik wall hanging the students had completed – with varying sizes of stitches – first sold for $350, and then was donated back to the sale and sold for another $170.

The money raised was important, but maybe not the most important outcome. Sommers said, "What I like about it is the big stitches next to the small stitches. I see it as a coming together."

Sophie Lapp, a first-year music and art major from Goshen, started attending the weekly gathering this school year. "I really like quilts and it is always something I thought I would like to learn," she said. With that, maybe there will be quilt auctions at Relief Sales for many more years to come.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

Music Department releases new choir CDs

The Music Department released two new CD recordings featuring the four choirs.

The new CD "Song by Song" features the 2008-09 Chamber Choir and Chorale, directed by Professor of Music Debra Brubaker and Assistant Professor of Music Scott Hochstetler. The new CD "Sisters and Brothers" features two of the campus' most beloved choirs: the 2008-09 Women's World Music Choir and Men's Chorus, also directed by Brubaker and Hochstetler. The CD features performances of world music, spirituals and choral arrangements.

The CDs can be purchased for $15 (includes shipping) at the Music Center office, by calling (574) 535-7361 or e-mailing music@goshen.edu.

NEW TEACHING FACULTY FOR 2009-10

Andrew Ammons is an assistant professor of biological sciences. He received a bachelor's degree from Berea College and a doctorate in entomology from Purdue University. He was most recently in a postdoctoral position at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. Ammons' continuing research interests are in honeybee genetics.

Anne Berry '99 is an assistant professor of art. She received a master of fine arts degree from the School of Visual Communication Design at Kent State University. Her graduate work focused on environmental graphic design.

Julianne Bruneau is an assistant professor of English, after serving in that role for an interim position for a year. She received a bachelor's degree in English from Colby College, a master's of education degree from the University of Hartford (Conn.) and completed her doctorate at Notre Dame. Her dissertation was "Perceval the Welshman: Identity in Medieval British Romance." Bruneau has taught English at Highlands Ranch High School in Littleton, Colo., and worked at Notre Dame's Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning.

Tracy Buller is an associate professor of nursing. She is a graduate of Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing and Ball State University, and received a master of science in nursing degree in community health nursing from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Seth Conley is an assistant professor of communication, teaching courses in television broadcasting and video production. He received a bachelor's degree from Indiana Wesleyan University and worked as a news anchor and reporter for WLFI-TV, the CBS affiliate in West Lafayette, Ind.

Andrea Dalton is a part-time assistant professor of Bible, religion and philosophy. She received a bachelor's degree from Messiah College and a master's degree from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary.

Josh Garrett is an assistant professor of American Sign Language. He has been interpreting professionally since 1998 and holds three national interpreter certifications. For the past six years, he has been training and mentoring interpreters. Garrett was elected and served on the Indiana Chapter of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (ICRID) state board. He has taught at Purdue University also.

Kristi Glick '97 is an assistant professor of art. She received a master of fine arts degree in metal design from East Carolina University. She has worked as a studio artist in Charlottesville, Va., and has had work in national and international juried exhibits in the United States and in London.

Randy Horst '83 is an associate professor of art. He received a master of fine arts degree in drawing from Bowling Green State University. He taught at both Bowling Green and Goshen College before teaching art and art history for the past 15 years at The University of Montana Western in Dillon, Mont. He previously worked as an art director at both Mennonite Mutual Aid and Great Harvest Bread Company.

Gregory Imbur is an assistant professor of education. He received a bachelor's degree from the College of William and Mary, a master's degree from Middlebury College and a doctorate in the social foundations of education from the University of Virginia. He most recently taught at the University of Wisconsin-Plattville, and previously studied and taught at Abo Akademi University in Vasa, Finland, and taught English in Hungary.

Lisa Kirkton '97 is an assistant professor of nursing. She has been employed at Oaklawn Psychiatric Center as office psychiatric nurse, outpatient nurse case manager and coordinator of outpatient services, and is board certified in psychiatric mental health nursing.

Christine Noria is an assistant professor of psychology. At the University of Notre Dame, she received a bachelor's degree in psychology and Spanish, a master's degree in developmental psychology and a doctorate in developmental psychology. She has also completed a master's of education in human development at Lehigh University in the school psychology program and a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Notre Dame's First Year of Studies in Academic Advising.

Paul Meyer Reimer '84 is an associate professor of physics. He received a master's degree from Purdue University and a doctorate from the University of Illinois. He created Goshen College's first Web site in 1994, while working as an adjunct professor and Web developer for the past 16 years.

Laura Wheeler is an associate professor of graduate nursing. She received a bachelor's and a master's degree in nursing from the University of Cincinnati. She has been working since 2005 as a family nurse practitioner for the Goshen Primecare System in an internal medicine practice.

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE FACULTY AND STAFF

Chantell Barnhill is the admission office assistant. **Joe Bean** is the director of printing and mailing services. **Rachel Campagnoli** is a graphic designer in the public relations office. **Karen Day** is the administrative assistant in the Academic Resource and Writing Center. **Doug Gossman** is the head coach for women's tennis. **Ana Juarez** is the director for the Latino Studies Semester. **David King** '09 is a technology intern for Information Technology Services. **Roberta Miller** '73 is an administrative assistant at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center **Jim Routhier** is the head coach for women's volleyball. **Sandy Gebert Saggars** '01 is the assistant controller. **Mervin Stutzman** is the assistant director of student financial aid. **Brandy Yoder** is admission coordinator for the Division of Adult and External Studies.

TRANSITIONS

Kevin Gross '83 moved from Information Technology Services senior analyst to institutional research analyst; **Vickie Miller** changed from computer support specialist to assistant director of human resources; **Floyd Saner** changed from professor of computer science/director of instructional technology to director of institutional research, educational technology and assessment; **Mary Beth Bomberger Schlabach** '87 changed from cataloging and acquisitions specialist to cataloging and acquisitions librarian; **Dan Stutzman** '05 moved from AV systems specialist to senior desktop architecture specialist in the Information Technology Department; **Victoria Waters** added the position of Mennonite Historical Library (MHL) serials manager to her ongoing position as MHL associate librarian; and **Mandy Yoder** '09 moved from applicant administrative assistant to administrative assistant to the vice president for enrollment management.

NEW VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

President Jim Brenneman named Jim Caskey '84 as the new vice president for institutional advancement. He began his new role on Jan. 1, 2010 and oversees the Development Office; Alumni, Church and Parent Relations Office; the Public Relations Office; and the Music Center, as well as serving on the President's Council.

In 1997, Caskey returned to Goshen College to serve as the regional director of development. During that period, he helped form the Maple Leafs Athletic Club and assisted with a capital campaign to raise funds for the Music Center.

In 2004, he began to focus primarily on maintaining strong institutional relationships with the college's top donors. In 2006, Caskey became the director of major gifts, with a significant role in doubling the size of the group of largest donors, as well as helping to design a comprehensive campaign. Caskey served as the interim vice president after Will Jones left in September and began working at Virginia Intermont College in Bristol, Va.

△

A FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

In the sixth annual musical celebration of Christmas, "A Festival of Carols," on Dec. 4-6, the Music Department again offered a special celebration of the holiday season featuring five choirs and orchestra, along with audience participation on traditional carols, all in the festively decorated Sauder Concert Hall. "A Festival of Carols" was patterned on a traditional English worship service, and featured Christmas carols, spirituals and Scripture readings.

TIM BLAUM '10

Sign-up for Lenten devotions

What are you holding on to and need to let go of this year? Goshen College again offers an online resource to help believers make time and space in their hearts and minds to reflect during the season of Lent.

Beginning Feb. 17 (Ash Wednesday) and culminating on April 4 (Easter), Goshen College students, faculty and staff will provide weekday reflections based on lectionary Scripture passages. The popularity of the devotions continues to grow each year and there are now more than 8,300 online subscribers.

To access the devotions online or subscribe to receive them as a daily e-mail, go to: **www.goshen.edu/devotions**.

Summer research: Amish grieving habits to deer herbivory

From studying the educational needs of the local Latino community to the grieving habits of the Amish to deer herbivory, 17 students spent the summer doing intense study and research during the college's eight-week Maple Scholars program alongside faculty.

Rachel Halder (junior, Parnell, Iowa), a communication major, and **Elizabeth Speigle** (junior, Telford, Pa.), a sociology major, worked on a project about the Costa Rican women's movement, with Professor of English Beth Martin Birky '83.

Becca Friesen (2009 graduate, Newton, Kan.), a physics major, and **Noah Weaverdyck** (junior, Ann Arbor, Mich.), a physics and mathematics double major, investigated cholesterol structures in biological membranes, with Professor of Physics Carl Helrich.

Seth Unruh (2009 graduate, Wayland, Iowa), a mathematics major, researched fair allocation methods in mathematics, with Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science David Housman.

Melissa MacGregor (2009 graduate, Glen Ellyn, Ill.), a history and investigative skills major, and **Leah Yoder** (senior, Salem, Ore.), a social work major, worked on a project that examined factors that lead the Amish to participate at a local grief center (Ryan's Place), with Adjunct Professor of Social Work Carol Jarvis.

Audra Christophel (2009 graduate, Hesston, Kan.), a peace, justice and conflict studies major, and **Amy Showalter** (2009 graduate, Harrisonburg, Va.), a Bible and religion major, studied vengeance and forgiveness strategies from biblical, theological and anthropological perspectives, in order to strengthen peace theology and practice, with Professor of Bible and Religion Paul Keim '78.

Adriel Santiago (junior, Souderton, Pa.), a communication and theater double major, researched online news services and implemented findings to the Goshen College Record Web site – creating a site that is a complete multimedia experience, with Associate Professor of Physics Paul Meyer Reimer '84 and Professor of Communication Duane Stoltzfus '81.

Sara Alvarez (sophomore, Goshen), a sociology major, researched education needs and assets of the Latino community in northeastern Indiana, with Center for Intercultural Teaching and Learning Research Director Robert Reyes.

Erin Diller (2009 graduate, Bluffton, Ohio), a biology major, researched the role of amino acid residues in the folding of E. Coli serine hydroxymethyltransferase, with Associate Professor of Chemistry Doug Schirch '82.

Jeremy Good (senior, Reading, Pa.), an environmental science and biology double major, and **Adie Gerig** (senior, Mishawaka, Ind.), an environmental science major, studied the effects of deer herbivory on tall grass prairie forbs, with Assistant Professor of Biology Ryan Sensenig.

Kristen Steiner (junior, Geneva, Ind.), a molecular biology major, studied color genetics of domestic pigeons, with Professor of Chemistry Dan Smith.

Joshua Hertzler (junior, Marietta, Pa.), a history major, and **Anna Showalter** (senior, Waynesboro, Pa.), a history and music double major, researched the history and practice of 20th century Mennonite youth ministry with Bob Yoder, campus pastor and assistant professor and director of youth ministry.

△
BIG LOVE
(Left to right) Juniors Adriel Santiago (Souderton, Pa.) and Patrick Ressler (Lititz, Pa.) performed in the fall mainstage play, "Big Love," a whimsical, contemporary take on an ancient Greek play. For this play, written by Charles Mee and directed by Assistant Professor of Theater Michelle Milne '94, the stage was converted into a huge, empty swimming pool. The set was designed by Dave Nofsinger '90, who is a professional set designer and teaches at the University of Memphis, and Anne Berry '99, Goshen College assistant professor of art.

Maple Leafs SCOREBOARD

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
Finished sixth at the MCC Championships.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
Finished fifth at the MCC Championships.

MEN'S SOCCER
12-7-1 (overall), 6-2 (MCC)
Made it to its sixth straight MCC Tournament Semifinal. Had six-match winning streak, the program's longest streak since 2006. Senior Luke Woodworth (Middlebury, Ind.), senior Nick Good (Lititz, Pa.), sophomore Daniel Martin (Salem, Ore.) and sophomore Ryan Troyer (Fredericksburg, Ohio) all were named to the all conference team.

WOMEN'S SOCCER
5-11-1 (overall), 0-7-1 (MCC)

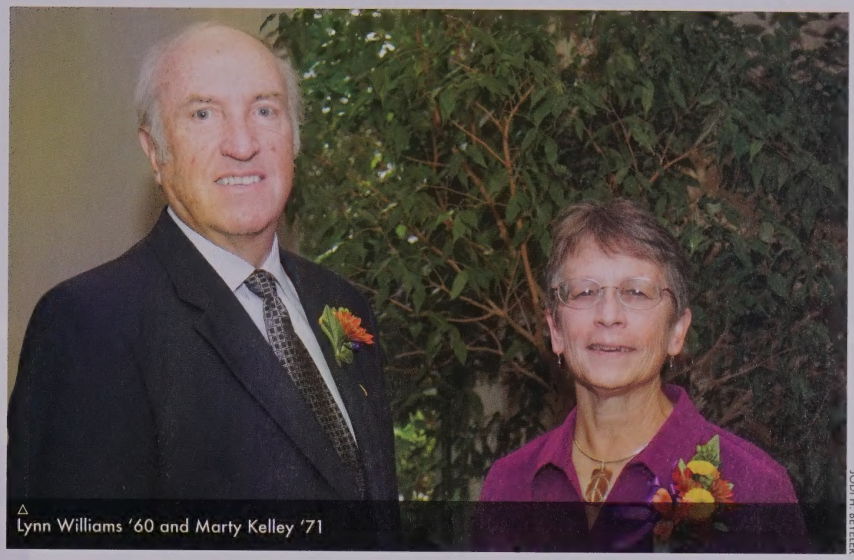
WOMEN'S TENNIS
4-8 (overall), 1-7 (MCC)
Finished tied for sixth at the MCC Championships. Junior Rachel Lanctot (Bristol, Ind.) was named to the all conference team.

MEN'S TENNIS
7-5 (overall), 3-4 (MCC)
Finished seventh at the MCC Championships. Senior Aaron Sutter (Urbana, Ill.) was named to the all conference team.

VOLLEYBALL
17-16 (overall), 4-4 (MCC)
Reached the MCC Tournament Championship for the first time in program history. Junior Peni Acayo (Kampala, Uganda) broke the program's all-time record for kills and was the first Maple Leaf volleyball player ever to be named to the NAIA All-America First Team, MCC Player of the Year and AVCA Mid-Central Region MVP. Seniors Ashley Janssen (Crawfordsville, Ind.) and Allison Hawkins (Middlebury, Ind.) and junior Kelsey Herschberger (Goshen, Ind.) also were selected to the all conference team.

SCHOLAR-ATHLETES
The fall sports teams – minus tennis, which presents awards in the spring – combined for 29 NAIA All American Scholar-Athletes setting a new program record. The award is given to upperclassmen with cumulative grade point averages of at least 3.5.

Visit www.goleafs.net to find in-depth game reports, player stats, photos and videos about the Goshen College Maple Leafs.



△ Lynn Williams '60 and Marty Kelley '71

JODI H. BEYELER

KELLEY, WILLIAMS HONORED AS CHAMPIONS OF CHARACTER

Marty Kelley '71 and Lynn Williams '60 were honored for their athletic and lifetime accomplishments during Homecoming 2009 by being named recipients of the Ruth Gunden Champion of Character Award and the Roman Gingerich Champion of Character Award. For the fourth year, the Maple Leaf Athletic Club has selected a female and a male alumni athlete who exemplify the college's core values in their lives, work and community service. Gunden and Gingerich were pioneers in GC athletic history.

Marty Hess Kelley '71 — Ruth Gunden Champion of Character Award

While at Goshen College, Marty Kelley competed in field hockey and majored in physical education. She joined the faculty of Goshen College as director of student activities in 1982 and held a number of other positions at Goshen, including director of human resources and director of admissions. "Marty would tackle any job if she could serve the college in some way," said Ken Pletcher '70, Goshen College development officer and former athletic director. As a GC athlete, Kelley also "bled purple and loved the Maple Leafs."

After her time at Goshen, Kelley worked for the Fair Housing Council of Central New York and now serves as an education adviser for adult students at the University of Maine. Kelley serves on a committee that works toward ending hunger in the state of Maine and has led workshops on nutrition through the Food Stamp Nutrition Education Project. In 2005, Kelley founded Voices for Peace, an interreligious, all-inclusive group of singers committed to peace, social justice, love and joy.

Kelley and her husband, Mark (GC faculty '83-01), live in Orono, Maine, and have two adult children who are also Goshen College alumni. They attend Hammond Street Congregational Church where Kelley serves on the outreach committee and organizes free monthly lunches.

Lynn Williams '60 — Roman Gingerich Champion of Character Award

Lynn Williams was a part of the beginning of intercollegiate athletics at Goshen College and competed in basketball and baseball. He graduated with a degree in health, physical education and recreation (HPER) and biology. Williams received a master's degree from the University of Northern Colorado in 1977.

Throughout a 30-year career as a teacher and coach with the Denver (Colo.) Public Schools, Williams taught junior high and high school biology and physical education, along with coaching tennis, basketball and football. Known to many simply as "Coach," he taught his students the values of respect, responsibility, integrity and sportsmanship. Williams' daughter, Dana Williams-Hosman '94, said, "By believing in his athletes and demanding they respect and believe in themselves, [he] has helped many individuals lift themselves out of poverty and into college and careers."

Now retired, Williams continues to be an active member of First Mennonite Church in Denver and to serve on numerous boards of directors and state athletic organizations. Williams lives in Lakewood, Colo., with his wife Margaret Miller Williams '60. Dana is his daughter from his marriage to Anne Detweiler '60, who passed away in 1988.

–By Julie Weirich and Judy Weaver '81

Ultimate Frisbee game

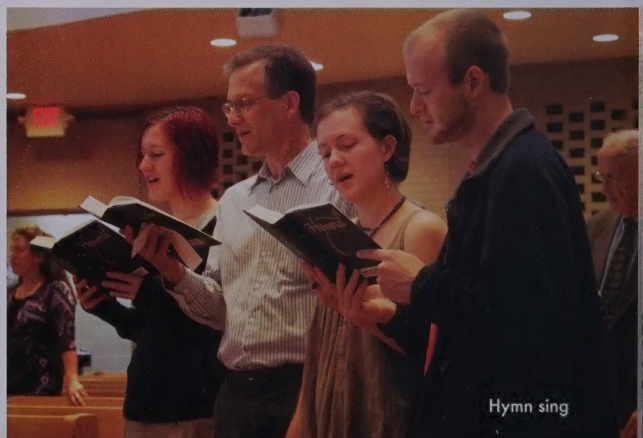
Art exhibit

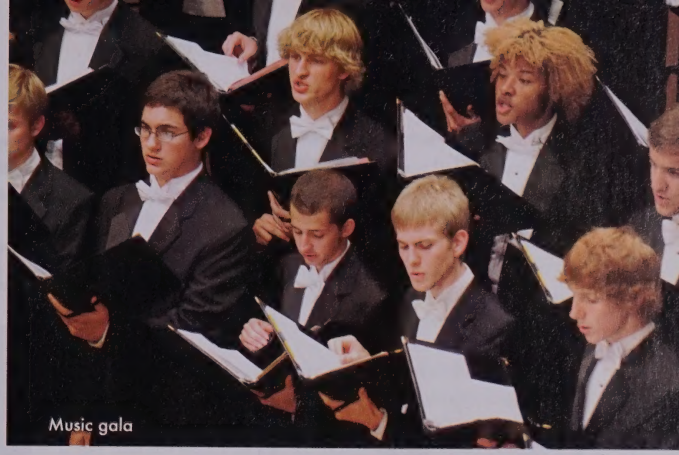
Class of 1959, 50th class reunion

GLIMPSES FROM

Homecoming Weekend

Oct. 2-4, 2009

Soccer match crowd

Hymn sing

Field trip to Merry Lea

Music gala

- 785 alumni and their families in attendance
- Class reunions: 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004
- Alumni awardees honored (for stories, see pages 11, 16 and 18)
- Downtown Goshen First Friday Activities
- Music Gala
- One-Act Plays
- Reception for exhibit
- Kids' activities that included swimming
- 3K walk/5K run; volleyball, tennis and soccer matches
- Alumni association breakfast with President Brenneman and alumni awardees
- Making Peace with the Environment seminars
- Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center field trip
- Alumni picnic
- Hymn sing

Photos by David Zwier '12, Jodi H. Beyeler '00, Josh Gleason, Tim Blaum '10

Children's activities

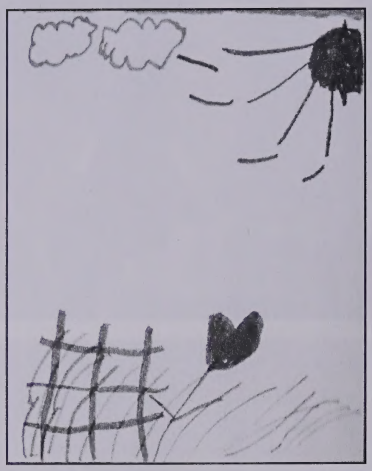
BULLETIN online

If you want to relive the highlights or see what you missed, visit www.goshen.edu/alumni/homecoming where there are class reunion photos for printing from the weekend. And put next year's dates on your calendar: Oct. 1-3, 2010!

3K walk/5K run

First Fridays

Members of the class of 1999 reminisce



LISA KOOP '99
Immigration attorney
Chicago, Ill.
Artwork from age 6

What peace means to her today:
"Peace is sending a client a closing letter after we've won her case. Peace is lights from the El train reflecting off the Chicago River. Peace is my daughter sleeping."

ERIC HARLEY '97
Researcher at IBM
Lagrangeville, N.Y.
Artwork from second grade

What peace means to him today:
"I think of peace right now on a much smaller scale than I used to. Most of the time peace is not about global conflict resolution but about family dynamics. It's about all of us treating each other with kindness, love and selflessness."

Being hospitable to a broader definition of PEACE

BY JOSEPH LIECHTY '78

The genius of **"HEALING THE WORLD, PEACE BY PEACE"** is that it serves simultaneously as a celebration of what Goshen College is and as a prod to live out what we proclaim. Reflection on our commitment to making peace in all its forms, for example, reveals considerable successes, such as our Study-Service Term, the Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center and the Music Center's Community School of the Arts.

It also shines a light on our absences and subtle failures. One such area of success and failure on the Goshen College campus is hospitality. Many students and faculty members from diverse backgrounds have found a true home here, and yet too many others – whether because of their religious affiliations, socioeconomic status, ethnic/racial identities or political views – have graduated or departed while still feeling like outsiders.

In truth, I have an obsession with peace as hospitality that arises from having spent most of my adult life – 1980 to 2003 – as an outsider in Ireland doing mission work with a focus on reconciliation. I survived and eventually flourished only because so many people were willing to take me in and to make me at home. The story that best encapsulates for me the gift I received concerns a tea-break epiphany in Belfast. There were perhaps 15 of us present; some were just acquaintances, others had been good friends for a long time, and one had been what I can only think of as a guardian angel. I went over to get another cup of tea and, for a moment, I was on the outside,

How will you make peace in 2010?

This question was posed to Goshen College fans on Facebook, and here are the responses received. Become a fan at www.facebook.com/goshencollege.

"Making with the real world after college."

– **Simon Birky-Hartmann**

watching the others. It occurred to me: "Wow. I'm really the odd one out here. In fact, I'm the odd one out at least three times over." I was the only Mennonite, the only American among the Irish and the only Dubliner in a room full of Belfast people. "I'm the odd one out," I thought, "and I'm completely at home." That was to me a sacred moment, a paradox alive with significance, and I felt a deep contentment.

In 2003, I returned to Goshen College to teach in the peace, justice and conflict studies program. Now I was an insider at least three times over – as a Mennonite, as a child of a former faculty member, as an alumnus. I brought with me a desire to repay my great debt for hospitality received by doing what I could to extend hospitality to those at GC who would feel in some senses outsiders.

From my point of view, hospitality and peace have become inseparable. Peace almost always has to do with relationships; healthy relationships can be the goal of peace, the form of peace, the means of achieving peace. To practice hospitality, then – to build and sustain positive relationships – is to nurture peace.

For a teacher, hospitality starts in the classroom. At the beginning of most semesters, I tell my students about my tea-break epiphany, and I say that this class succeeds only if you feel free to be as different as you want to be, as different as you need to be, and also completely at home. It has been exciting to discover that the equitable teaching practices that make a classroom more hospitable for students representing a minority identity are actually the practices that promote the best learning for all students. An equitable class is structured so that every student has opportunities to find, express and develop her voice – no one is silenced, and all benefit from the variety of voices. In this case, the obligations of hospitality lead to a comparatively easy, win-win situation.

Sometimes, however, how to be hospitable is far from obvious and it complicates decisions. A good example was campus work over the past year on whether to break with Goshen College tradition and play the national anthem before athletic contests. For that GC tradition and for many Mennonites, the decision not to play the anthem arises from a faith stance that resists the sometimes-idolatrous claims of nations. Many students, faculty, and staff from other faith traditions, however, regard the anthem as an appropriate expression of national allegiance. Conceived of as an issue of faith and national allegiance, the decision about whether to play the anthem was difficult in practice, but conceptually simple, because faith must trump every other consideration.

However, add to the decision-making mix another faith issue – hospitality as a form of peace – and the decision about whether to play the anthem became more complex and conceptually difficult. The national allegiance quarrel remains in all its gnarly integrity, and yet, hospitality required us to think through some key facts that are invisible when viewed solely through the faithfulness lens: most of the GC student-athletes affected, for example, are from other-than-Mennonite religious traditions and would strongly prefer to play the anthem, and what we mean to be saying by not playing the anthem is inscrutable to visitors who don't know our tradition and convictions. However, if hospitality complicated the national anthem issue, it was also a resource. Hospitality is always about love of neighbor, and that leaven can provide new ways to conduct the quarrel, and perhaps to transform it.

In deciding to allow the playing of the national anthem before games (see p. 17), the President's Council gave balance-tipping weight to hospitality. What the President's Council has not done, however, is to imply that the faith motivations behind the previous practice are antiquated or wrong. If anything, the decision is rooted in a confidence that GC remains a place where students and faculty are sensitive to excessive expressions of national allegiance, and a hospitality-driven decision to allow playing the national anthem will not change that.

Considering hospitality did not tell Goshen College what to do about playing the anthem. In fact it raised the stakes and made the discussion more complex. But in this case, more complex discussion also meant more broadly and deeply considered, and therefore more honest and fruitful.

Nurturing an institution where it is possible for all to be as different as they want to be, as different as they need to be, and completely at home, is a challenge of the highest order for everyone involved. When we get it right, the rewards are commensurate with the challenge. There is a peace for all present in these moments, these relationships, these places; we glimpse the grace and hospitality of God. Perhaps we even reflect it.

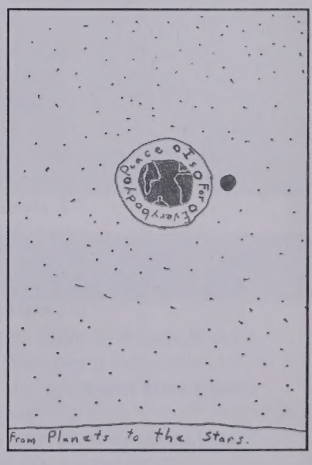
Joseph Liechty is professor and director of the Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies program at Goshen College and editor of the Journal of Religion, Conflict and Peace *(www.religionconflictpeace.org). Liechty led the campus task force that recommended the national anthem be played before some sports events at Goshen College.*

Thanks to Professor Emerita of Education Kathryn Aschliman for providing artwork from her students, who went on to become GC alumni.

"I'm going to start a blog with my Mom. We'll make peace with inter-generational dialogue."

– Kelli Yoder

BRYAN FALCÓN '95
Co-founder of the Web-based software Haiku Learning Systems
Tucson, Ariz.
Artwork from age 9



What peace means to him today: "Over the years, my understanding of peace has become disconcertingly nuanced – achieving peace appears to require a balance of empathy, mutual respect and shared quality of life. Peace, to me, seems to be an inherently unstable state of human relations, thus we will always struggle to achieve peace. I firmly believe that if we do not work together to live simple, sustainable, community-supported lives, then peace will continually elude us."

2009 Culture for Service Alumni Award Recipient

JODI H. BEYELER

MAKING PEACE: With business

GALEN D. MILLER '74

Goshen
Owner of Miller Poultry in North Orland, Ind. (www.millerpoultry.com)

When food banks in Northern Indiana accepted 25 tons of chicken at the height of the economic crisis last winter, they may not have realized that this generosity was business as usual for Galen D. Miller. "He's a very generous person and he's an excellent business person," said Gordon Yoder '52, a lifetime friend of Miller's who nominated him for the Culture for Service Award.

Miller lives out "Culture for Service" in his compassionate treatment of others – from his employees right down to his baby chicks, which are raised in small flocks and healthy conditions primarily on Amish farms. "He applies his faith to running his business and integrates his values into his work," said Don Yost '72, another friend. Miller works with about 350 employees, who include many Hispanic immigrants. "He understands and adapts to both the Amish culture and Latino culture," said Yost. "His employees exhibit a loyalty and work satisfaction that is inspired by a leadership style based on Christian principles of humility, honesty, candor and compassion."

Miller's ethical business practices have led to a product that is widely popular throughout the Midwest. "We do an all-natural, all-vegetable fed, antibiotic free, hormone-free chicken program, and there's been a lot of interest in that kind of product," Miller told the *Goshen News* in a January 2009 article. Yoder explained that Miller seeks out the latest technology that "decreases environmental stress and increases safety over the industry standard."

Miller's faith also is reflected in his generosity and in service to the community. "His support of a wide variety of causes is low-key and responsive to need," said Yost. "He seeks to understand where help is needed and asks for no recognition. … Galen not only promotes peace and justice through the causes that he supports, he also manages his business in ways that promote peace and justice."

– By Julie Weirich

Questions and answers about "HEALING THE WORLD, PEACE BY PEACE"

WHY DID THIS HAPPEN?

The college believed a compelling and accurate brand would help improve internal and external communication, including visual identification and marketing. In August 2008, the college hired Mindpower Inc. of Atlanta, a branding and marketing agency, to help develop messaging, branding and visual design that accurately reflected the college's history, core values and mission.

HOW WAS THE NEW "PEACE BY PEACE" MESSAGE DEVELOPED?

Mindpower conducted extensive research on the college, studied competitors and peer institutions, and interviewed more than 100 students, faculty, staff and alumni in 2009. Mindpower's initial recommendations were modified based on extensive feedback they received. We feel like they really understood who we have always been, but expressed that in a fresh, bold, compelling way.

WHAT IS GOSHEN COLLEGE'S NEW MESSAGE?

The Goshen College message, or brand, is both a claim and an aim. It is best expressed through a succinct statement: "Goshen College is the place for making peace in all its forms – with God, yourself, and the world around you."

The brand often will be expressed by a colorful new logo with the words: "Healing the World, Peace by Peace, Goshen."

WHAT EXACTLY IS A BRAND? AND HOW DOES A BRAND RELATE TO GOSHEN COLLEGE?

A brand is a representation of a business, company or organization, but it's more than a logo or a symbol. To be effective, a brand reflects what the institution is all about.

Barth Hague '79, a marketing consultant, has defined a brand as: "The truth about an organization or product that is widely perceived and (for a great brand) deeply valued." Mindpower Inc. maintains that a brand is the "essence" of an institution.

HOW DOES THE BRAND RELATE/ CONNECT TO GOSHEN COLLEGE'S CORE VALUES?

The brand stems from our five core values and reflects their essence: Because we are Christ-centered, through servant leadership, as global citizens, in our passion for learning, we strive to make peace in all its forms."

HOW WILL OUR CORE VALUES, MISSION AND MOTTO (CULTURE FOR SERVICE) BE AFFECTED BY THE BRAND?

All remain in place and remain vital to Goshen College. However, the brand and its logo will be used for institutional branding and visual design as well as for marketing the college.

IS THE COLLEGE STILL SEEKING FEEDBACK, QUESTIONS OR IDEAS?

Yes. The college invites alumni to "infuse" their passion for peace into Goshen College and the brand. In fact, the college welcomes feedback, questions and, especially, more ideas. Send a letter in care of the Bulletin or an e-mail to: pr@goshen.edu.

– Richard R. Aguirre

BULLETIN online **Learn more about the college's decision in regards to the national anthem and read the full Q&A about "Healing the World, Peace by Peace" at www.goshen.edu/bulletin.**

DECISION ABOUT PLAYING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AT GOSHEN COLLEGE

The Goshen College President's Council has decided to accept the recommendation of the National Anthem Task Force to play an instrumental version of the *Star-Spangled Banner* before select sports events on campus, followed by prayer. This decision will take effect in March, at the start of the spring sports season. This decision was made after much prayerful deliberation over the past year and with input from the campus community. We believe it is the right decision for the college at this time.

We made this decision for several reasons:

- We believe that playing the anthem offers a welcoming gesture to many visiting our athletic events, rather than an immediate barrier to further opportunities for getting to know one another.
- We believe playing the national anthem is one way that is commonly understood to express an allegiance to the nation of one's citizenship. We have shown that in the past in a variety of other ways, such as flying a flag on campus, praying for all men and women serving our country, welcoming military veterans as students and employees, annually celebrating the U.S. Constitution and encouraging voting.
- We believe playing the anthem in no way displaces any higher allegiances, including to the expansive understanding of Jesus – the ultimate peacemaker – loving all people of the world.
- We believe playing the anthem opens up new possibilities for members of the Goshen College community to publicly offer prophetic critique – if need be – as citizens in the loyal opposition on issues of deepest moral conviction, such as war, racism, and human rights abuses.

How will you make peace in 2010?

"I hope to make peace by trying to learn not to judge others, something that sounds easy but is truly very difficult."

– Sarah Conrad Yoder

"I want to make peace with my student loans...which is at least a decade's worth of resolutions... :)"

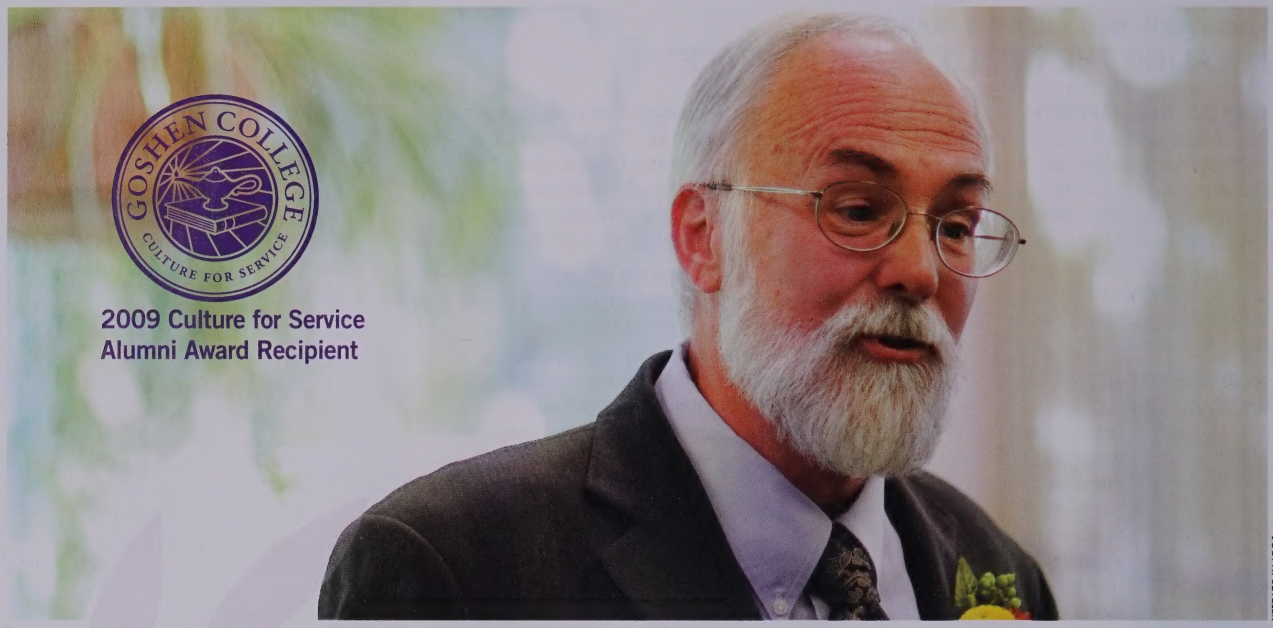
– Lindsy Glick

"I'm going to ponder if/why 'peace people' anger other people more in their congregations than almost any other group in the church."

– Susan Mark Landis

"I hope to make peace with all that has been given to me and how I should live my life accordingly. (I guess this is a big one)"

– Beverly Lapp



JODI H. BEYELER

MAKING PEACE: With government

JOHN MARTIN '74

Columbus, Ohio
Director of the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (dodd.ohio.gov)

John Martin's two years at Goshen College served as a precursor to a lifetime of service to his family, the state of Ohio and to people with disabilities.

Martin completed his bachelor's degree in special education at Illinois State University and earned a master's degree in community psychology at Temple University. Throughout his career he has been a tireless advocate for the disabled, serving as a special education teacher, as director of Sunshine Inc., an Ohio Mennonite agency serving individuals with disabilities, and since 2007, as director of the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.

With Martin as executive director, Sunshine Inc. gained a statewide reputation as a religious-based agency that offered the highest quality services. "His choices and decision-making reflect a mindfulness of the need to not only profess faith in God, but to put that faith in action," said friend and board member of Sunshine, Inc., Karen Rich Ruth '76. "Those around him could sense Martin's fairness, respect and acceptance of people no matter who they were." During Martin's 23 years there, Sunshine grew tremendously, adding 17 group homes and a variety of programs including a spiritual life program and a Fair Trade coffee shop staffed by persons with disabilities.

Martin helped to resolve conflicts between the state of Ohio, service providers, and county boards and advocated with the Ohio state legislature on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities. His reputation as a peacemaker drew the attention of the Ohio governor. In 2007, he was appointed to the cabinet-level position of director of the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities. At the state level, said Ruth, Martin "has helped to resolve some longstanding conflicts … and sought input during this time of fiscal crisis. His Christian faith is the foundation of all he does."

The Martin family came to know the issues of people with disabilities in a personal way when their second child, Joel, was born. He was diagnosed at nine months of age with cerebral palsy, a seizure disorder and developmental disabilities. Joel lived with his parents until he was an adult.

– By Julie Weirich

PHOTO PROVIDED

MAKING PEACE: With women in Afghanistan

CRISTINA HERNANDEZ '00

Kabul, Afghanistan
Curriculum adviser, Turquoise Mountain Foundation (www.turquoisemountain.org)
Design/product development consultant

Cristina Hernandez (above, second from right) is living in Kabul, Afghanistan – what some consider the most dangerous place on earth – but says that she and her friends and neighbors have adjusted to the bombings and threats by the anti-government Taliban. "If there is an explosion in the city, people don't go to that side of the city, but every morning little girls get up and go to school and people get up and have breakfast as a family. People go to work and go to the market or the bazaar. There is normalcy amid the chaos," she said. "Millions of people see Afghanistan as their home. And now, it's my home as well."

How Hernandez ended up in Afghanistan – helping women learn design skills and run successful export businesses – is a story of servant leadership and global citizenship. She followed the footsteps of her sister, Carla, and graduated from Goshen College with a major in art and a minor in business. After graduating, she returned to her native Honduras to become a potter and to help artisans develop sustainable small businesses through two U.S. groups – Partners of the Americas and later, Aid to Artisans.

When the project ended, Hernandez spent a year in Vietnam as a volunteer with Mennonite Central Committee, helping artisan partnerships with Ten Thousand Villages. After her one-year assignment, she stayed for another three years to teach English and work with artisans. In 2007, she returned to work for Aid to Artisans, but this time in Afghanistan. She helped start a center to help women learn about product design, and business export development. She now works there for the Turquoise Mountain Foundation, and helps women fulfill their dreams by starting family businesses specializing in jewelry, embroidery, textile, felt and wool rugs.

Hernandez said she is committed to helping the Afghan women and cannot imagine leaving, even if the Taliban regains control of the country and again subjugates women. "Most of the husbands of the women I work with are supportive of having their daughters have an education, of having their wives have a business," she said. "If the Taliban came back into power, they would continue supporting their wives and their daughters."

Hernandez said that she is sustained by the lessons she learned at Goshen College – and by her faith. "The wonderful thing is I can see God everywhere. He is everywhere and is not limited to my church or my little community," she said. "Muslim people and Christian people love God and they want to serve God and they take joy in family and in unity. For me, those are the commonalities and they create very strong ties between my culture and their culture."

– By Richard R. Aguirre

PHOTO PROVIDED

MAKING PEACE: With the arts

CARRIE NEWCOMER '80

Bloomington, Ind.
Folk singer-songwriter (www.carrienewcomer.com)

Carrie Newcomer has a passion for making a difference in the world one song at a time. "I think often in regards to peacemaking, immediately people think of a certain kind of activism. But I've come to believe that our most potent activism comes out of what we love most deeply," she said. "I am a songwriter and an artist, so some of my most potent activism comes out of the arts."

Newcomer recently returned from a fall trip to India as a cultural ambassador where she performed concerts on her own and with Indian musicians, taught songwriting workshops and visited slum programs for women and children. "Music can be a language deeper than words. I love our differences," said Newcomer about her impressions of India. "Cultures are rich, and what makes each culture unique should be celebrated, but I was also powerfully moved by what we share as a human family."

This musician, who has toured with Alison Krauss and Union Station and been praised by Rolling Stone magazine, returned home to prepare for the Feb. 23 release of her 12th solo album, *Before and After* (Rounder Records), a recording that celebrates change and transformation. Ten percent of the profits of the album sales will go to a health, hunger or social justice organization, a practice Newcomer has had with every new album for the past decade.

"What we are and what we believe should be evident in our daily lives," said Newcomer, whose albums combine her music with stories from her own unique spiritual lens.

Peace and hope are often themes in her songs – which combine the sacred and the ordinary – but often with a bit different approach. "It is really hard to write about world peace. You just can't get your arms around it," said Newcomer, who first encountered Quakers on Study-Service Term in Costa Rica and now attends a silent Quaker meeting. "But I can write a small story that gets to the bigger idea. And peace happens on a daily, personal level.

She added, "Hope is an unstoppable phenomenon in my estimation. I chose not to write Disney songs a long time ago. We know when someone is candy coating it and that doesn't go very deep. When someone speaks the truth clearly and simply, it changes the world just a little bit. I'm not closing my eyes to what's wrong or the cruelty we are capable of, but I am choosing to open my eyes to what's right and really possible."

One of the lyrics on her new album speaks to this: "The greatest revolution is a simple change of heart."

Though Newcomer went on to graduate from Purdue University, she said her two and a half years at Goshen "had the largest impact on me at that time in my life." She didn't grow up in a family of artists and musicians, so it was at Goshen that she learned to embrace that passion and consider the possibilities.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

MAKING PEACE: With martial arts

STEVE THOMAS '86

Goshen
Pastor, Walnut Hill Mennonite Church (walnuthill.in.us.mennonite.net)
Director of Peacemakers, Inc.

PHOTO PROVIDED

Steve Thomas, a pastor at Walnut Hill Mennonite Church in Goshen, said he was inspired to study and eventually teach martial arts by a somewhat unlikely source: John Howard Yoder '47, the world-renowned Mennonite theologian and ethicist who advocated nonviolence and pacifism. While studying for his master of divinity degree at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Thomas recalled that Yoder delivered a lecture in which he encouraged Mennonites to learn aikido, a Japanese art of self-defense based on principles of nonresistance.

"As a student, that made no sense to me – to learn this art for nonviolence and to teach others," Thomas said. "Too often in our witness, we have been very clear in what we don't do, but we have not been as clear in what we do, such as in terms of responding to violence and how to teach our sons and daughters how to respond to violence."

Popular movies and TV shows have given martial arts an inaccurate and bad reputation, Thomas said. "I typically remind people that historically martial arts originated as systems to teach a philosophy of peace and a way of peace." Thomas said most traditions of martial arts have as their essence nonviolence, empowering people with a philosophy of peace, and a system for counteracting violence. More than just restraining violence, martial arts offer a proven way to reduce aggression, increase self-control and form respect for others. The only "fighting" that martial arts encourages, Thomas said, is conquering the enemies within – fear, anger and inner conflicts.

After becoming a pastor, Thomas said he started taking classes in Tae Kwon Do, a Korean art of self-defense. By the mid-1990s he was teaching it to others. Eventually, Thomas, his brother Phil Thomas '87 and Wes and Karen Higginbotham, both gifted instructors of Tae Kwon Do as well as members of Thomas' congregation, developed the Peacemakers, Inc. program. Its mission: to empower people to live in peace by training children, youth and adults in verbal and physical skills for preventing violence and transforming conflict. The program served nearly 700 children, youth and adults in the community in 2009 and now is being offered at two local elementary schools – Parkside and Chamberlain.

Besides his work as a pastor and with Peacemakers, Thomas teaches the core Goshen College course "Transforming Conflict and Violence" as an adjunct professor of peace, justice and conflict studies. Among the goals of the course are to try to link the college with the community and to explore the effective application of nonviolence in daily life. "We explore how to extend the way of Jesus and be peacemakers in our family, community and the world," he said.

– By Richard R. Aguirre

JODI H. BEYELER

MAKING PEACE: With bracelets

RACHEL HALDER '10

Parnell, Iowa
Senior communication major and women's studies minor (perubracelets@gmail.com)

With 2,000 bracelets, one Goshen College student and dozens of Peruvian women, a town struggling with drugs, gangs and poverty is using art to slow that cycle.

When Rachel Halder returned home to the United States in 2008 from her Study-Service Term in Peru, with about 200 colorful hand-woven bracelets made by a group of Peruvian teen-age girls, she was amazed at how quickly they sold, and how much the money she collected would be able to help the people of the poor Peruvian coastal town Chimbote, where she spent six weeks serving at a local parish.

"I was definitely surprised at how much it took off and how much people were sincerely interested in the project," Halder said. "It's obviously a passion of mine because I have the personal connection to the area, but I've been surprised at how supportive others have been."

The parish serves the community through many programs, but when Halder was asked how she wanted to help at the parish, there was one group not being served – young women.

She told the parish she wanted to start a group like one created to keep young boys off the streets. The first day, eight girls, ranging in age from 12 to 18 years old, agreed to meet with her regularly.

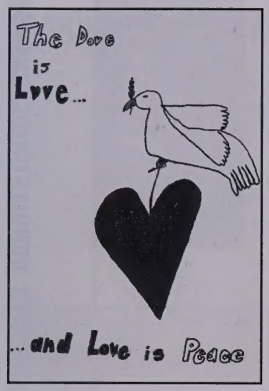
"Our original goals were to prevent the girls from falling into the traps of other people in the community, like prostitution and teen-age pregnancy, and give them motivation and encouragement to not give into sexual and drug pressures," Halder said, "but also to give them something to do"

Then a fellow at the parish introduced Halder to a group of women who make souvenirs for tourists, and suggested they teach the girls how to make hand-woven nylon thread bracelets. At that moment, her support group found an entrepreneurial niche and a new source of income.

So far since returning Halder has been able to follow through with her vision. Selling the $5 bracelets to family and friends, and at music festivals, farmer's markets and the Mennonite Church USA Convention, she has sent more than $6,000 directly to the community in Chimbote and has sold about 2,000 bracelets. The money is used to buy more supplies to keep making bracelets and has also been used to start chocolate-making, hair cutting, cooking and artisan businesses.

"It's to help show them they're worth more than their society tells them they're worth," Halder said. "It's to show them a future other than what they see around them."

– By Tyler Falk '09

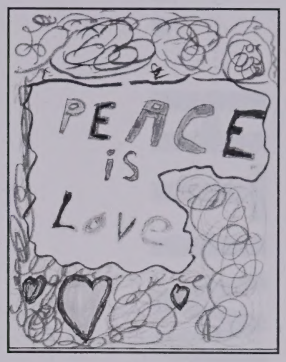


JEREMY GARBER '96
Ph.D. candidate at the University of Denver (Colo.) and the Iliff School of Theology, concentrating in philosophy, theology and cultural theory
Artwork from age 9

What peace means to him today:
"As I study theology and culture more and more, I am convinced that peace is a conversation – that it is in the complicated work of me talking to you, or to a piece of art, or to a holy scripture, and trying to understand it on its own terms, that we come to understand the other through the Holy Spirit and so to love them as God loves us. I still stand by that statement I made when I was 9 – I just have a few more details now."

10 WAYS TO START HEALING THE WORLD, PEACE BY PEACE

1. **Seek inner peace by strengthening your faith.** Talk to God today. Ask what is being revealed to you in Scripture. Take a day for a spiritual retreat.
2. **Tend (or mend) your relationships with family and friends.** Listen more deeply and without judgment. Show how much you love them. Ask for forgiveness.
3. **Take care of yourself, physically and mentally.** Walk regularly with a friend. Turn off the TV/computer more often and read a newspaper, magazine or book. Memorize a poem.
4. **Engage with others who care about making peace in all of its forms.** Listen with a desire to understand views different from your own. Visit peacebypeace.com to see what others are saying.
5. **Name publicly what you are making peace with.** Fill out the next page. Cut it out. Share it with others.
6. **Love the earth: the rest of the world's citizens and the natural order.** Pick up trash in the park. Ride your bike to work. Learn to say "hello" in another language.
7. **Imagine new possibilities to address problems.** Keep a journal. Use your liberal arts education to think in integrated ways. Seek to understand and love your enemy.
8. **Get involved in your community.** Learn your neighbor's name. Go to a city council or school board meeting. Become a mentor.
9. **Donate time and/or money to good causes.** Volunteer with children. Consider including Goshen College or other organizations in your annual giving and will. Support an unemployed friend.
10. **Spread your joy daily as you find beauty and seek hope.** Smile. Laugh. And sing.



ERICA FRIESEN '98
Costume Shop Manager for The University of Chicago's professional theatre in residence
Artwork from age 8

What peace means to her today:
"Peace is a quiet night with a big moon and a starry sky. It is the knowledge that the sun will rise and I will see my son's effervescent smile and hear my husband's deep voice whisper, "good morning." It is the ability to go about our day much as we did the day before without fear, full of love and the chance to dream."

How will you make peace in 2010?

"I am trying to make peace with my past. I lived in a home with violence and abuse. I want to be true to myself and the effects of living in this kind of home but at the same time let it live in the past so I no longer have to carry it with me."

– Sue Steiner

"I just ask God to help me be a blessing to someone each day. I will pray each day for Peace in the world so that all the children can grow up in a peaceful and loving world."

– Carol J. Bender

"I'm making peace by employment with handicap and disabled persons. Took three of them to Christmas Eve services in the snow."

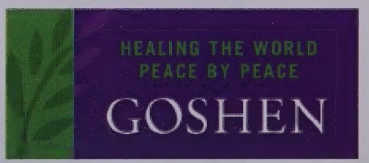
– Karen Deaver

"Making peace involves using the circles of influence we have developed. I make peace when I model peace in my teaching career with university students. I model peace in my community by the choices I make. I model peace in my family and among my friends when I choose not to let anger control my actions. I model the character of God when I model peace with children and adults."

– Freewoman Longlife

I'M MAKING PEACE WITH ...

SIGNED BY: _____



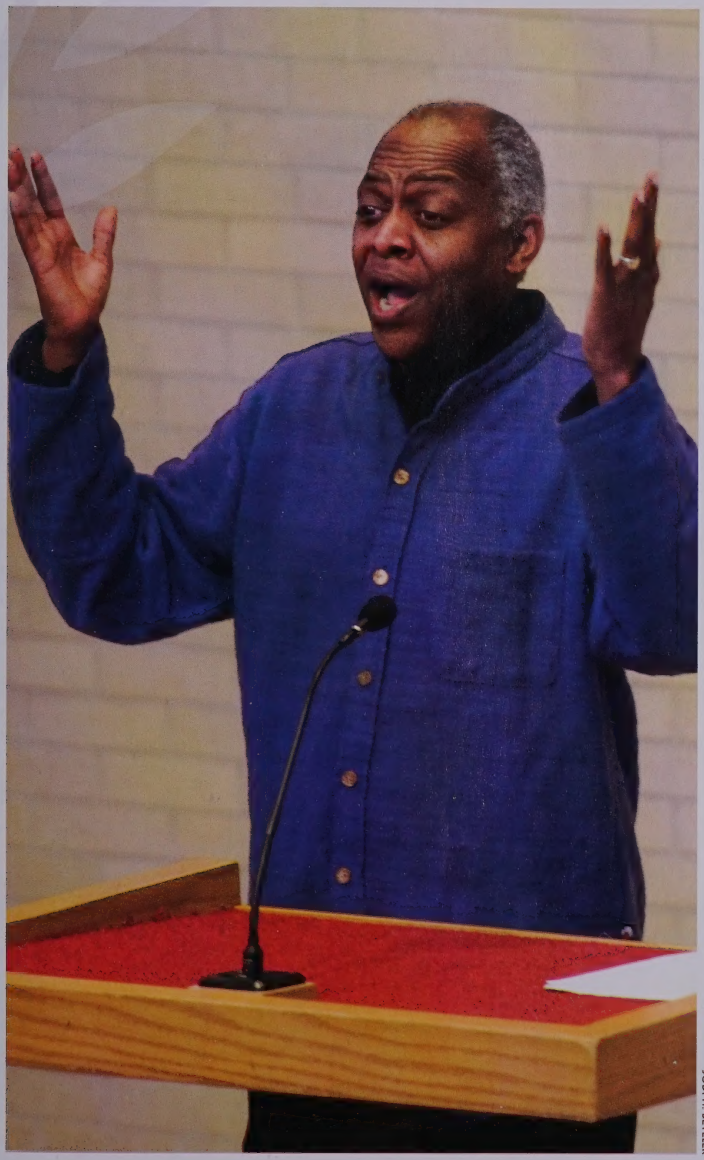
TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU HOLDING YOUR SIGN AND POST IT TO WWW.PEACEBYPEACE.COM OR SEND IT TO GCBULLETIN@GOSHEN.EDU

cut here

MAKING PEACE: With song

ANTHONY BROWN '71

North Newton, Kan.
Artist-in-Residence at Hesston College
Founded the Peacing It Together Foundation (www.peacingittogether.org)



JODI H. BEYELER

Anthony Brown is not just transcending language through his music. He's also transcending nationalities and religion while promoting peace and goodwill around the world.

An accomplished baritone and artist-in-residence at Hesston (Kan.) College, Brown brings people together across divides of race, nationality, religion and culture through musical events sponsored by his Peacing It Together Foundation, which is based in Hesston.

Brown said his years at Goshen College left an indelible imprint on his life and served as a foundation for his career of peacemaking as a licensed psychotherapist, musician and teacher. "The theological understandings I gained at Goshen College are to some extent impacting my current work for peace in the world," he said. "There are so many people at Goshen who helped to shape my understanding of Jesus and his call for compassionate service to others."

Brown's work has taken him to such political hot spots as Bosnia, Northern Ireland, China, Japan, Moldova, Ukraine, Russia, Uganda, South Korea and Ethiopia. Through each performance, Brown connects people and helps them focus on how all are part of the family of humanity. He also partners with other musicians who share his passion for peacemaking.

"In my international travels, while on stage, I often say that the earth is my house and in it are many rooms. I tell audiences that I discover that the people of this room are very much like people in other rooms I have visited. They have the same fears, hopes and dreams," Brown said. "Music is an effective tool in creating conditions where people can think in new ways about themselves and their adversaries. Music speaks the universal language of the heart and can touch and change us in profound ways."

Brown, who has appeared widely as a soloist, recorded his first compact disc of African American Spirituals in 1995 and his second in 2002. His compact disc "Embracing American Song" (1999), offers a wide array of American songs from the romantic ballad to classic American folk songs. And he released his fourth recording in 2006, titled "Each Other's Light" with songs of peace, hope and justice.

Brown said he hopes to continue his work throughout the world. "Surely, we all need to be involved in the sacred work of peace building on the local, national and international levels," Brown said "Our civilization needs all of its citizens to be involved in this creative process."

– By Richard R. Aguirre

CHOPIN WOULD BE PROUD

Summer usually affords students and teachers the opportunity to take a break from one another. But the Goshen College Piano Workshop and Academy – begun in the late 1960s by piano faculty Kathryn Summers Sherer '54 and John O'Brien – is a unique opportunity for piano teachers and students from across the nation to focus for a "four-day musical extravaganza" to learn new playing and teaching techniques in lectures and master classes, perform recitals and listen to nightly concerts.

In contrast to other available pedagogical workshops, "it is unique in that teachers and students are both involved," said Professor of Music Matthew Hill, one of the organizers, "and this fosters a week-long event of communal learning and appreciation of the art of piano teaching and performance."

Like other camps, students and teachers reconnect with friends from past years and make new friends. "By the end of the week a healthy sense of community is fostered among all participants, highlighting everyone's gratitude for the gift of music," Hill said.

Lydia Short (below, left), a senior music and math major from Kalona, Iowa, participated in the program several years while she was in high school. She came with her piano teacher Susan See, who recommended it. "You get to hang out with people who have a similar interest," she said.

The program – which is held every other year – is for 13-18 year olds, and is open to students at varying levels. "Some students attend playing delightful shorter pieces by Burgmuller and Bartók, and others come in playing Chopin Etudes and Beethoven Sonatas," Hill said.

Short appreciated learning new techniques in the daily workshops, attending professional concerts and having other teachers during the week giving her a different perspective on her abilities. The practice has paid off. She now teaches piano through the Community School of the Arts and will perform a piano solo in the college's Concerto-Aria Concert in February.

Piano teachers also find the week to be invigorating. "We hear repeatedly from the piano teachers in attendance how important they find the opportunity to troubleshoot and share ideas with others in the same profession," said Associate Professor of Music Beverly Lapp '91, an organizer for the event. "Over the years that has brought a lot of well-known names in the piano world to our campus and also established a strong association with piano training and Goshen College."

This summer another group of 45-60 teachers and 20-30 students will be on campus for the 36th workshop. For more information about the 2010 Piano Workshop and Academy, from June 20 to 24, visit **www.goshen.edu/music/Piano_Workshop**.

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

TRADING TURF FOR PRAIRIE

A small corner of the campus may soon be greener thanks to a student proposal, seeds planted in October and the care and involvement of a professor and a utilities manager.

The south corner of campus is the first glimpse that northbound drivers on Main Street get and that view will be improving as a new rolling prairie of a diversity of grasses and flowers will grow in the spring to replace the view of a flat turf grass area and community recycling bins.

"Once a prairie is established, it needs periodic mowing or burning. But it doesn't require much maintenance in the long run," said Ryan Sensenig (second from left), assistant professor of biology. "And a prairie will never look the same from one year to the next over the coming 20 years. It's a dynamic, changing process."

The idea began several years ago in Jerrell Ross Richer's '85 economics class as a group of students wrote a proposal for the college to save money and energy by developing more native prairie areas on campus. The college's Environmental Stewardship Committee approved moving forward with changes on the plot behind Newcomer Center. Junior Alana Kenagy (Albany, Ore.), senior Andy Brubaker (Goshen) and junior Jake Snyder (Leland, N.C.) worked with Sensenig to give leadership to the project and recruited help from EcoPAX Club members and ecology class students to help prepare the soil and plant the seed.

The prairie project was expanded to include a detention pond as well, which was added after grant funding from the Elkhart River Alliance became available and Utilities Manager and Sustainability Officer Glenn Gilbert '01 (below, right) got involved. The detention pond will reduce excess water coming off surrounding parking lots from going into the nearby Elkhart River as quickly and cutting down on flooding.

"By introducing the detention pond, it turned a homogeneous prairie into an area with different plants, because of the topography," Gilbert said. "Our intention is to make it look intentional, not neglected."

As a student leader on the project, Kenagy (second from right) said, "I am just really excited to see the land so transformed – shaping the land and planting a diversity of plants – to explore how it affects soil quality and other biological qualities of the area."

Sensenig sees the way this project has connected disparate parts of campus in significant ways as an experiment in interdisciplinary learning.

"What has intrigued me about this project is that the act of participating in restoration of our landscape has forced us to re-evaluate the way we do education. How can we help students connect with the people and place around them?" he said. "To the degree that environmental problems are due to the disconnect we have in our lives, the solution has to do with how we reconnect. Restoration of our 'place' becomes not just a biological or technical pursuit, but a commitment to socially work in ways that are also restorative. This model of education excites me."

– By Jodi H. Beyeler

BULLETIN online Read an extended version of this article and see photos of the planting at www.goshen.edu/bulletin

JODI H. BEYELER

ALUMNI CROSSINGS

Kelli Burkholder King '77
Director of Alumni Relations

LEARNING AND LIVING PEACE

For as long as I can remember, peacemaking and seeking social justice have been part of my life. Those values were instilled in me as the daughter of a Goshen College professor of religion and peace studies, but more important, they were the lessons learned from both of my parents.

An early lesson concerned what to do when you're angry with someone. It was OK to be angry, but hurting another person was not an option; instead, you had to go outside, run around the house or kick a tree. Our family dinner conversations often concerned national or world events. One favorite weekly game was "Guess this week's *Newsweek* cover." Whoever guessed correctly had dibs on that week's *Newsweek*.

Peace and justice were integral in my parents' lives, whether through conversations with friends and GC faculty, students, church committee work, the writings of Martin Luther King Jr. and John Howard Yoder, or my father's own writing projects, lectures or talks. My parents also participated in many activities related to their peace convictions shaped by their faith. During the Vietnam War, my parents drove a former student to Canada to escape the draft. In her mid-70s, Mom went to Hebron with a Christian Peacemaker Team. Now, in their 80s, both attend a weekly peace vigil in rain or snow in downtown Goshen to mourn the dead in Iraq.

Their daily lives also reflected my parents' convictions about peace. When a neighbor (probably with undiagnosed mental illness) would occasionally lose touch with reality, Mom or Dad would talk with her, calm her down and walk her back to her home. When the many neighborhood children ended up at our house during hot summer afternoons, Mom would have us sit in a circle on our porch to pod peas from our garden. What better way to make peas – or peace? More recently, my parents have helped neighbors get the appropriate social services they need. At Christmas, Mom invites neighbor children, who speak very little English, to help bake and decorate Christmas cookies.

My parents have taught me that tearing down barriers and building community with those next door is just as important as working for peace around the world.

Kelli Burkholder King's parents are J.R. Burkholder '52, GC professor emeritus of religion, and Sue (Herr) Burkholder '52, retired teacher.

BOARD REPRESENTS GC ALUMNI

The following are your representative on the Alumni Executive Board for 2009-10:

Front row, left to right: Barbara Derstine Weirich '78, Harrisonburg, Va; Gwen Brenneman Rich '67, Archbold, Ohio; Karen Lapp Bowman '77, Weddington, N.C.; Kelli Burkholder King '77, director of alumni relations; Ellen Hoover Stoesz '78, Indianapolis, Ind.

Second row, left to right: Deb King Helmuth '80, Indianapolis, Ind.; Cindy Friesen-Mason '87, Hesston, Kan.; Kay Hershberger '88, New York, N.Y., Abri Houser Hochstetler '09, Indianapolis, Ind.; Morgan Kraybill '09, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Sally Hunsberger '86, Washington, D.C.

Back row, left to right: Tim Blaum, Goshen, student representative; John Kaufmann '66, Okemos, Mich.; Laurie Fulle-Rychener '83, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Keith Gerber '69, Sarasota, Fla.; Shannon Unzicker '91, Benson, Ill.; Tim Manickam '82, Portland, Ore., board president.

Not pictured: Ruth Brenneman '87, Wellman, Iowa; Steve Brenneman '82, River Forest, Ill.; Peter Eash-Scott '99, Lancaster, Pa.; Gwen Reid Edwards '83, Morris Plains, N.J.; Bill Miller '55, Goshen.

CHOIR TOUR, ALUMNI EVENTS PLANNED FOR SPRING BREAK TOUR

The Goshen College Men's Chorus will visit churches and schools in the East, South and Midwest during its 2010 spring break tour.

Led by Assistant Professor of Music Scott Hochstetler, the chorus will present a worship service titled "Healing the World, Song by Song." The following is the schedule:

Feb. 21 – Hyattsville (Md.) Mennonite Church; Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.

Feb. 22 – Sandy Spring (Md.) Friends School; Salford Mennonite Church, Harleysville, Pa.

Feb. 23 – Christopher Dock Mennonite High School, Lansdale, Pa.; Philadelphia (Pa.) Mennonite High School; West Philadelphia (Pa.) Mennonite Fellowship

Feb. 24 – Park View Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg, Va.

Feb. 25 – Eastern Mennonite High School, Harrisonburg, Va.; Scottdale (Pa.) Mennonite Church

Feb. 28 – College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Ind.

Go to www.goshen.edu/choirtour for the full schedule, including the times and related alumni gatherings and a tour blog by chorus members.

HOMECOMING SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 1-3, 2010

We warmly invite you to return to Goshen College during homecoming weekend, Oct. 1-3, 2010.

For details about homecoming and other alumni gatherings, go to: www.goshen.edu/alumni

ALUMNI NEWS

LOG ON TO WWW.GOSHEN.EDU/ALUMNI TO READ MORE NEWS ABOUT ALUMNI.

SEND YOUR NEWS (births, deaths, marriages, job changes, service assignments, achievements, etc.) to alumni@goshen.edu or Goshen College Alumni Office, 1700 S. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526. We look forward to hearing from you!

DEATHS 1930-39

Maurice M. Burkholder '39, husband of Agnes Burkholder, 3710 Kootenai St., Boise, ID 83705, died Jan. 13, 2009.

Noble I. Frederick '36, Goshen, died June 26, 2009. He was 100 years old.

J. Samuel Pritchard '37, Waynesville, N.C., died Oct. 5, 2009.

Betty Trump Kowallik Rollert '39, Madison, Ala., died July 15, 2009.

A. Lois Weaver '38, Goshen, died July 6, 2009.

Fern Zehr Welsh '39, Peoria, Ariz., died July 2, 2009.

Dale C. Wenger '39, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, died June 19, 2009.

NEWS 1940-49

Helen Wade Alderfer '43, Goshen, authored *The Mill Grinds Fine: Collected Poems* (Cascadia Publishing House, LLC, February 2009), which showcases her prose poems that are vignettes from her life as one of the earliest Mennonite women writers.

Weyburn W. Groff '44, Goshen, was recognized at a celebration on Nov. 6, 2009, at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind., for the publication of his 1963 dissertation *Satyagraha and Nonresistance: A Comparative Study of Gandhian and Mennonite Nonviolence* into a book by the Institute of Mennonite Studies and Herald Press.

Esther Sevits Hershberger '45, Kalona, Iowa, enjoys her 13 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Mervin J. Hostetler '44 and **Fern Yoder Hostetler '45**, Harrisonburg, Va., are living in the independent living facility at Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community.

Lee H. Kanagy '49, Belleville, Pa., published a second book, *A Pilgrim's Journey II, Following God's Call to Japan*, in which Lee shares about when his family was in Japan from 1951 to 1973 as missionaries.

Millard C. Lind '42, Goshen, was the 2009 recipient of the Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary Alumni Ministry and Service Award. Millard is professor emeritus of Old Testament for AMBS.

John J. Martin '46 and **Flora Jean Hostetler Martin '47**, Dalton, Ohio, enjoy living in a condo community in Kidron. They keep involved with the Gospel Echoes ministry to prisoners.

Audrey Harrington Michels '40, Martinsville, Ind., and her husband Harry celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on Aug. 17, 2009.

David A. Shank '48 and **Wilma Hollopeter Shank '46**, Goshen, were honored for their lifetime of work on Oct. 31, 2009, at a banquet sponsored by the Association of Anabaptist-Mennonite Missiologists at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, highlighting their contributions to mission. **James Krabill '73** is editing a book of David's writings, titled *Mission from the Margins: Writings from the Life and Ministry of David A. Shank*, which will be completed early in 2010 and published by the Institute of Mennonite Studies.

DEATHS

Alice Brenneman Bastian '48, Lima, Ohio, died July 21, 2009.

H. Ernest Bennett '47, Goshen, died Nov. 17, 2009.

Eva Stauffer Blosser '49, Dayton, Ohio, died June 1, 2008.

Peter W. Buller '47, Goshen, husband of Gladys Buller, 15 Fairfield Park, Goshen, IN 46526, died Aug. 28, 2009. On June 28, 2009, they had celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Anna Lois Bucher Charles '41, Lititz, Pa., died Aug. 23, 2009.

Denton E. Croyle '48, husband of **Mary Schnell Croyle '47**, 1256 Harmony Drive, Wadsworth, OH 44281, died June 20, 2009.

Opal Culp '46, Roaring Spring, Pa., died Aug. 25, 2009.

Esther Swartzentruber Diener '44, wife of **D. Edward Diener '43**, 18 Miller Ave., Archbold, OH 43502, died Oct. 17, 2009.

Gladys Witmer Hess '41, wife of Roy Hess, 1407 E. Lefevre Road, Sterling, IL, died May 13, 2009.

Nettie Classen Hooley '47, North Lawrence, Ohio, died May 23, 2009.

J. Alton Horst '48, husband of **Dorothy Mann Horst '48**, 629 Hubbard Hill Lane, Elkhart, IN 46517, died Aug. 16, 2009.

Roy I. Kaufmann, husband of **Helen Nafziger Kaufmann '40**, 500 Park Ave. E., Apt. K, Princeton, IL 61356, died Sept. 12, 2009.

J. Robert Kreider '41, husband of **Virginia Stalter Kreider '42**, 1300 Greencroft Drive, Apt. 211, Goshen, IN 46526, died Nov. 30, 2009. He served Goshen College as director of development from 1956 to 1962, as director of college relations from 1962 to 1971 and as business manager from 1971 to 1985.

Harold C. Liechty '44, husband of Treva Liechty, 613 S. Lincoln St., Archbold, OH 43502, died Aug. 14, 2009.

Mary Gilbert Schermerhorn '43, Ligonier, Ind., died Sept. 22, 2009.

Rosalie E. Stoltzfus, wife of **Dan H. Stoltzfus '49**, 2423 College Ave., Goshen, IN 46528, died Dec. 3, 2009.

Evelyn Jean Lechlitner Stump '49, wife of Walter L. "Bud" Stump, 337 Marble St., Cadillac, MI 49601, died May 29, 2009.

Edna Brenneman Swartz '40, Bellefontaine, Ohio, died Sept. 1, 2009.

B. Nortell Troyer '46, Chandler, Ariz., died Oct. 18, 2009.

Vera Emmert Ulmer '41, Mesa, Ariz., died May 23, 2009.

Arthur Weaver '45, husband of **Esther Hartzler Weaver '43**, 2645 E. Southern Ave., A141, Tempe, AZ 85282, died Aug. 31, 2009.

Maxine Woodiwiss Weaver '49, wife of Howard Weaver, 1558 Sycamore Court, Goshen, IN 46526, died Sept. 8, 2009.

Raymond Zehr '44, husband of Lois Zehr, 437 S. Main St., Hesston, KS 67062, died July 9, 2009.

NEWS 1950-59

M. Louise Dueck Buckwalter Dean '59, Largo, Fla., continues operating her ATM business. She also serves on the visitation team of her church, focusing on Alzheimers patients.

Owen J. Gingerich '51, Cambridge, Mass., was one of seven speakers at a Dec. 2 conference at Lateran University in Rome and attended Pope Benedict XVI's public audience in St. Peter's Square. After the Pope's remarks, Owen and the other six speakers were introduced to him.

Vera M. Good '52 moved to Simcoe, Ontario, Canada, to be near her sister **Edna Good Ruibal '51** and their extended family.

Harry L. Graber '54, West Liberty, Ohio, married his 1949 high school classmate, Kathleen Klopfenstein, on July 26, 2008. Harry is assistant professor emeritus of Ohio State University, division of cardiology, but still practicing with them as a cardiologist on a part-time basis.

Mary I. Groh '53, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada, retired from piano teaching after 38 years but still delivers meals on wheels with Warden Woods Community Centre. This fall she joined the board of Conscience Canada, an organization lobbying for the exemption of conscientious objectors from military taxation.

Dale E. Hochstetler '51 and **Lucile Conrad Hochstetler '51**, Hesston, Kan., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Aug. 27, 2009.

Gordon L. Hostetler '59 and **Phyllis Davenport Hostetler '60**, Elkhart, Ind., volunteer at Church Community Services. Phyllis also volunteers at the Elkhart County Historical Museum cataloguing pictures, and Gordon teaches ESL at Prairie Street Mennonite Church.

Marian E. Hostetler '54, Elkhart, Ind., spent a month this summer in the Hopi Mission School library in Kykotsmovi, Ariz., assisting the school librarian.

Velma Frey Kamp '52 and her husband Charles, Archbold, Ohio, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 9, 2009.

Marilyn Frey Kay '57, Urbana, Ill., has been providing workshops for Amish teachers in the Arthur-Arcola area for the past two years. She also tests and teaches children with dyslexia and ADHD and does demonstration teaching for Amish parents and their children. Marilyn and her husband David celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 13, 2009.

Kenneth M. Long '54 and **Nancy Yoder Long '53** moved to Garden Spot Village in New Holland, Pa.

Ruth Hartzler Martin '56, Lancaster, Pa., retired from 52 years of nursing in June 2009. She and her husband Jay spend the winter months in Palm Springs, Calif.

Albert J. Meyer '50, Goshen, published *Realizing Our Intentions: A Guide for Churches and Colleges with Distinctive Missions* (ACU Press, October 2009), which offers specific and practical strategies for healthy and long-term relationships between faith-based colleges and churches.

James R. Miller '55, Wakarusa, Ind., was honored by the American Medical Association for his 50-year anniversary of graduation from medical school and on his 50 years of dedication to the medical profession.

Glen E. Miller '57, Goshen, published *Empowering the Patient: How to reduce the cost of healthcare and improve its quality* (Dog Ear Publishing, 2009), which centers around the evolving doctor-patient relationship and the effect the relationships have and could have on healthcare.

Martha Yoder Miller '58 and **Lester J. Miller '61**, Toledo, Ohio, are both retired. Lester volunteers for Hospice Respite Care and is on the board of the Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission. Martha volunteers at Crissey, where she used to teach.

Audrey S. Musselman '56, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, moved back to her home province of Ontario in October 2009, after living in Peoria, Ill., for 15 years.

Marilyn Logan Newsom '53 and her husband Rev. Ron Newsom, Fishers, Ind., celebrated 50 years of marriage on Sept. 5.

Genny Leichty Schwartzentruber '54 and **Earl Schwartzentruber '57**, Goshen, are enjoying their retirement. Genny interprets for staff and clients at a local clinic for under and uninsured. Earl spends some time in his shop making mantel clocks.

Roger W. Troyer '59, Elkhart, Ind., has worked full time as a Realtor for Coldwell Banker since retiring from teaching in 1999.

DEATHS

Roy L. Carpenter, husband of **Dorothy Hoshaw Carpenter '54**, 14966 County Road 42, Millersburg, IN 46543, died July 29, 2009.

Clayton H. Diener '50, husband of **Inez Snyder Diener '43**, 101 W. Vesper St., Hesston, KS 67062, died June 4, 2009.

Peter J. Dyck '52, Scottdale, Pa., died Jan. 4, 2010.

Raymond Ewy, husband of **Ellen Jost Ewy '50**, 451 S. Reed Ave., Reedley, CA 93654, died June 4, 2009.

Theda "Dot" Ramsby Frey '52, Topeka, Ind., died Sept. 8, 2009.

Lorene Smith Gable '51, Orrville, Ohio, wife of Chester Gable, 12546 Church Road, Orrville, OH 44667, died May 1, 2009.

Francis 'Sid' Gardner '51, husband of Catherine Gardner, Goshen, IN 46526, died Dec. 4, 2009.

Ann Haarer, wife of **David L. Haarer '55**, 1413 Hampton Circle, Goshen, IN 46526, died Dec. 8, 2009.

Lila M. Hoist '54, Beverly Hills, Mich., died Aug. 8, 2009.

Eugene R. Hollinger '59, New York, N.Y., died Sept. 1, 2008.

Amy L. Hunsberger '56, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, died Nov. 24, 2009. Amy worked for Goshen College as assistant dean of women and in the personnel office in the late 1950s to early 1960s.

Norma Lugeanbeal Imhoff '54, wife of **Ken Imhoff '54**, 2800 Via Rosso, Ste. 135, Springfield, IL 62703, died July 10, 2009.

Doris Burkey Inbody '54, Goshen, died Oct. 30, 2009.

Helen Frederick Kauffman Henry '59, Goshen, died July 22, 2009.

Betty Clemmer Kupeerus '58, wife of Sjoerd Kupeerus, Lakeland Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, Room 30, 505 W. 4th St., Milford, IN 46542, died Oct. 28, 2009.

Dick Martin '57, husband of **Melba Weaver Martin '65**, 1801 Greencroft Drive, Apt. 432, Goshen, IN 46526, died Dec. 11, 2009.

Maxine Schrock Miller '52, Goshen, died July 4, 2009.

Carson M. Moyer '54, husband of Ellen Moyer, P.O. Box 9, New Dundee, ON, N0B 2E0, Canada, died Feb. 14, 2008.

Lloyd E. Nafziger '52, husband of Eunice Nafziger, 5398 Townhall Road, Hopedale, IL 61747, died Aug. 6, 2009.

Dorothy Stover Schmitt '53, Souderton, Pa., died Sept. 8, 2009.

Leonard E. Schmucker '51, husband of Lucille Schmucker, 172 Beau Chemin, Louisville, OH 44641, died Sept. 8, 2009.

Marvin D. Slaubaugh, husband of **Grace Miller Slaubaugh '56**, 3165 320th St., Wellman, IA 52356, died Sept. 4, 2009.

Janet Musselman Snyder '56, wife of Paul Snyder, 30 Water St., Fairfield, PA 17320, died March 5, 2009.

Diana Johnson Steele '51, wife of Paul Steele, 7832 Harrisburg Lane, Fort Wayne, IN 46835, died Aug. 29, 2009.

Elno W. Steiner '50, Goshen, husband of **Mabel Smeltzer Steiner '49**, 1300 Greencroft Drive, Apt. 62, Goshen, IN 46526, died Oct. 16, 2009, following a severe fall.

Edith Hostetler Stoltzfus '51, wife of **Robert S. Stoltzfus '50**, 406 E. Sassafras St., Orrville, OH 44667, died July 15, 2009. In October they would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Bert A. Thompson, husband of **Ellen Palmer Thompson '55**, 1808 Caxton Drive, Wheaton, IL 60187, died Sept. 26, 2009.

NEWS 1960-69

Barbara Holdread Adams '69, Glendale, Ariz., is retired after working 32 1/2 years at Honeywell.

Sharon Long Baker '61 returned to her home in Palmer Lake, Colo., in September after volunteering two years at the International Guest House in Washington, D.C., and then seven years as the volunteer coordinator at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind.

Bradley J. Boyd '69, Atlanta, Ga., is associate judge in the Fulton County Juvenile Court, Atlanta.

Lloyd D. Brugger '68, Lowville, N.Y., does occasional building projects at Beaver Camp in Lowville. **Edna Yoder Brugger '62** works in housekeeping at Beaver Camp.

Robert L. Buzzard '66, Chicago, Ill., retired after 17 years as administrator at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Joan Smith Carter '68 and Phil Carter, Raleigh, N.C., celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Aug. 29, 2009.

Joan retired from teaching in 2006 from Durham Technical Community College, where she taught biology and microbiology for 23 years.

Nancy Gerber Conrad '60, Coronado, Calif., had her manuscript "The Effect of Character and Values on Ugandan Adaptation to America," published in the *Journal of Cultural Diversity*, Vol. 16, No. 3 (Fall 2009).

Wanda Sundheimer Croft '63, Sugarcreek, Ohio, is involved with the United Methodist Church in wellness, is a parish nurse and is on the board of Hospice.

Mary G. Derstein '69, Milroy, Pa., works as a library assistant in the social sciences library of Penn State University's Paterno Library. She also works at Nittany Valley Rehabilitation Hospital, Pleasant Gap, Pa., as an occupational therapist.

Ella Mae Landis Eby '61 and David Heintzelman, Pennsville, N.J., were married July 12, 2009.

Keith D. Gerber '69 is a mental health counselor at Catholic Charities, Sarasota, Fla.

Robert L. Gerber '61, Sugarcreek, Ohio, retired for the second time on Aug. 22, 2008, as a county jail "psychiatrist."

Donald D. Graber '68, Richmond, Ind., began as the medical director of Richmond State Hospital in March 2009.

Carol Hartzler Grieser '65, Goshen, was installed as secretary-treasurer of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association and will serve for two years before progressing to president-elect and then president. She also won the IRTA Anthem Clock Award for Area 2, which is given to the person from each area who personified the ultimate in volunteering. Carol accumulated 1,210 volunteer hours this year.

Mary Fry Groff '64 and her husband Earl, Lititz, Pa., moved to Landis Homes Retirement Community on April 29, 2009.

Ken J. Hartzler '64 and his wife Betty, Belleville, Pa., are coordinators for all relief sales in the U.S. and Canada and are employed by Mennonite Central Committee in conjunction with the North American Mennonite Relief Sale Board.

Linda Nolt Helmus '69, Lancaster, Pa., was licensed toward ordination and installed as associate pastor of Christian education and young family life at Neffsville Mennonite Church on Nov. 15, 2009.

Patricia Cosby Holcomb '62, Elkhart, Ind., lives at Hubbard Hill Village.

Thomas D. Holtzinger '65, Goshen, was elected as president of the Elkhart County Retired Teachers Association.

Jane Myers Hooley '69 was honored by Eastern Mennonite Missions for 26 years of service, the past 11 years as an administrative assistant in global ministries. Previously she served in Somalia, Sudan, Kenya and Israel. In August Jane and her husband Dave moved to Findlay, Ohio, where he teaches at the University of Findlay.

James E. Horsch '62, Goshen, retired from Mennonite Publishing Network after 41 years. He has served as editor of Adult Bible Study, *Purpose* and *Mennonite Directory*, and has been responsible for developing and editing curriculum for all ages, Vacation Bible School materials, devotionals, elective studies and books.

Jep R. Hostetler '62 and **Joyce Metzler Hostetler '62**, Columbus, Ohio, celebrated 47 years of marriage.

James A. Jaques '69, Goshen, retired in June 2009 from working five years as a school counselor at Chamberlain Elementary School after retiring in 2004 from teaching at Goshen Middle School. He was honored by Goshen Community Schools' officials for 40 years of service.

Stephen K. Kim '63, Haughton, La., served as a volunteer in mission from Jan. 30 to July 2, 2009, in Kuta Beach, Bali, Indonesia, as a minister to a Protestant English-speaking congregation.

Robert L. Koch '65, Colorado Springs, Colo., has been driving the bookmobile for Colorado Springs' public library two days a week for eight years since he retired from teaching.

Alan F. Kreider '62, Elkhart, retired after five years of part-time teaching of mission and church history at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary.

Daniel I. Landis '63 and his wife Emily Landis, Indianapolis, Ind., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 31, 2009.

Rita Conrad Liechty '69, Coldwater, Mich., continues to work at the Branch County Health Center in Coldwater as a medical technologist.

Patricia Smucker MacGregor '67, Glen Ellyn, Ill., has been a substitute teacher for 10 years at the same elementary school.

Nancy Rudy Martin '63, Lancaster, Pa., retired as executive director of No Longer Alone Ministries in June 2007.

Jared D. Massanari '65, Asheville, N.C., is a licensed professional counselor with a private practice. **Alice Eicher Massanari '65** is a licensed clinical social worker serving as an employee assistance counselor at the Employee Assistance Network in Asheville. Together they wrote a workbook for couples building a house titled *Building a House Together: A Couple's Guide to Managing Their Relationship During the Construction Process.* They also wrote a curriculum for a class for parents raising children with special health care needs, available through Research Press.

THIS TEACHER IS 86, BUT SHE NEVER LEARNED HOW TO RETIRE

Beulah Litwiller Gonzalez '44 is addicted to working with children.

That's the explanation the 86-year-old Argentine woman gives for why, 26 years after "retirement," she still volunteers all day, every day in a kindergarten classroom at Chandler Elementary School in Goshen.

Known as abuelita, an affectionate word for "grandma" in Spanish, Gonzalez has worked in schools – paid or unpaid – since 1944. She says she's not ready for true retirement yet, because she doesn't know how she'd fill her days other than by knitting and reading.

Gonzalez immigrated to the U.S. to attend Goshen College almost 70 years ago. After that, she worked in a small county school, taught in a children's home in Fort Wayne and worked in some public schools in Fort Wayne. Even though she retired in 1983, she didn't stop teaching.

"I decided that I wasn't ready to leave the classroom, so I offered my services as a substitute," Gonzalez said.

She said she left teaching "for good" in 2000 – a statement that made Chandler principal Lisa Herr Lederach '79 laugh – but Gonzalez came back to Chandler recently to volunteer from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. every day. As a volunteer, Gonzalez said she gives one-on-one time with the students who need it, particularly students whose first language is Spanish.

When the school had parent-teacher conferences, she was there until 7:30 p.m.

– By Audrie Garrison, for The Elkhart Truth

To read the full story about Gonzalez, visit: www.etruth.com/Know/News/Story.aspx?id=497351

Marvin E. Miller '68 and **Vi Amstutz Miller '71**, Colorado Springs, Colo., volunteered as host/hostess at the International Guest House in Washington, D.C., in June and July.

Donald L. Nofziger '61, Cincinnati, Ohio, joined The Affinity Center staff as a part-time consultant, working with adults and children who have Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Dr. Nofziger has worked in private practice for over 40 years and is owner of Shalom Pediatric Associates Inc. In 2008 he was recognized as a "Health Care Hero" by the *Cincinnati Business Courier*.

Jane E. Oswald-Lambert '66, Salina, Kan., has a private consulting business. She is involved in a women's prison ministry, Daughters of Destiny, as a seminar leader and music team member.

Carolyn Eash Pickler '66, Brunswick, Ohio, has been a therapist and owner of New Beginnings Counseling for 16 years, specializing in working with eating disorders. She also started an additional business, New Beginnings Eating Disorders Center, and in September 2009 opened an eating disorders intensive outpatient program.

Stanley G. Reedy '62 and **Janet Umble Reedy '62**, Ypsilanti, Mich., retired in early 2008 and then spent four months in Papua, Indonesia, in an interim assignment with Mennonite Central Committee. Janet taught English and Stan worked with a local health agency.

Emily Strong Rickloff '67, Sarasota, Fla, retired after teaching physical education for 30 years. For the last 22 years, Emily taught elementary physical education in the Sarasota County public school system.

Theron F. Schlabach '60, Goshen, published *War, Peace, and Social Conscience: Guy F. Hershberger and Mennonite Ethics* (Herald Press, 2009). Hershberger taught at Goshen College from 1925 to 1966 and was a most important Mennonite voice on war, violence and peace and laid the foundation for what became the Alternative Service Program during World War II.

Richard E. Schrock '67, Goshen, retired after 42 years of teaching math for Goshen Community Schools.

Bruce N. Stahly '67, Goshen, was named 2010 District II Superintendent of the Year by the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents, which is the second time since 2006 the honor has been bestowed on Bruce.

Ruth Geiser Steiner '64 and **Clayton H. Steiner '67**, Dalton, Ohio, spent three weeks in September with a team at Bridge of Hope Girls School in Liberia.

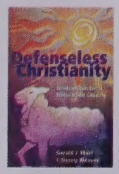
Jeannie Wyse Stuckey '67, Elkhart, Ind., has been "retired" from nursing since she and **Allen Stuckey '64** moved to Elkhart 12 years ago. Jeannie volunteers for Oaklawn and her church, Central Christian, and is active in Rotary, Concord Club. She is also involved in a working group to bring a Clubhouse for Mental Illness to Elkhart County.

Rebecca K. Tyson '69, Elkhart, Ind., ended her position at Mennonite Mission Network on Oct. 2, 2009, because of budget cuts and reconfiguring. She and her husband Marcellus Blosser celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary in Alaska.

Donald E. Voth '63, Albuquerque, N.M., is an active consultant with Vietnam work.

Carl L. Weaver '69, Goshen, was inducted into the Elkhart County Sports Hall of Fame on Nov. 15 for his sports involvement at Bethany Christian High School and his many years of coaching at Goshen High School.

J. Denny Weaver '63, Madison, Wis., co-authored *Defenseless Christianity: Anabaptism for a Nonviolent Church* (Cascadia Publishing House, August 2009) with Gerald J. Mast. This book offers a fresh model of defenseless Christianity for understanding Anabaptism, past and present.



Janet S. Yoder '65, Spokane, Wash., now retired, spent March, April and May 2009 teaching English and assisting with program development at LCC International University in Lithuania.

DEATHS

Stephen H. Bornman '68, husband of **Twilla Morehouse Bornman '64**, 131 U.S. 131 S., White Pigeon, MI 49099, died Nov. 16, 2009.

Donald 'Casey' Case, husband of **Nancy Worley Case '69**, 6155 S. State Road 9, Wolcottville, IN 46795, died Nov. 17, 2009.

Jeannette Hildreth Elmore '60, Sarasota, Fla., died June 9, 2009.

Reta Schrock Gerber '69, wife of **Keith D. Gerber '69**, 4007 78th Place E., Sarasota, FL 34243, died June 10, 2009.

Donald R. Hartzler '62, Kill Devil Hills, N.C., died Aug. 25, 2009.

Kathleen Hershberger, wife of **Gordon E. Hershberger '61**, 117 Archer Road, Syracuse, NY 13207, died June 28, 2009.

Jerold O. Lind '65, Evanston, Ill., died Sept. 12, 2008, after battling colon cancer for five years.

Ellen Keim Lukeman '60, wife of **Don L. Lukeman '59**, 1505 Spring Brooke Drive, Goshen, IN 46528, died Sept. 1, 2009.

Charles H. Monroe, husband of **Mary E. Yoder '69**, 18698 County Road 14, Bristol, IN 46507, died May 23, 2009.

Gregory A. Russell '69, Franklin, Tenn., died Sept. 13, 2009.

Sara A. Schlabach, wife of **Theron F. Schlabach '60**, 1503 Kentfield Way, Apt. 1, Goshen, IN 46526, died Sept. 11, 2009.

Alfonso R. Valtierra '67, Berwyn, Ill., died Dec. 12, 2009.

David L. Yoder '60, husband of **Marian Smith Yoder '60**, 760 Dawn Way, Gilroy, CA 95020, died June 28, 2009.

NEWS 1970-74

Walter F. Bachman '70, Goshen, is retired. **Lynette Anderson Bachman '72** continues to work in the field of gastroenterology nursing.

Linda Nofziger Belcher '70, Coldwater, Mich., retired in May 2008 after teaching first grade for 30 years in Bryan, Ohio. She is a volunteer tutor for elementary and high school students.

Elizabeth N. Brazofsky '73, Mesopotamia, Ohio, works part time as a reference librarian.

Daniel R. Byler '73 is serving with Rosedale Mennonite Missions as Asia regional director, based in Bangkok, Thailand.

Grace M. Dickerson '70, Washington, D.C., has worked as education coordinator for Hope and a Home, a transitional housing program in Washington, D.C., for 23 years. She helps clients from pre-school to adulthood find educational resources that will maximize their potential.

Sarah A. Eby-Ebersole '71, Atlanta, Ga., retired from her position as speechwriter for the president of Georgia Tech and senior editor for university-wide publications. She now writes speeches for the head of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

M. Dean Falb '70, Orrville, Ohio, retired from a position as agricultural lending officer and now farms and volunteers at MCC Connections and on the Ohio Conference Ministry Development Team.

Gena Shelly Fryer '73, Freeport, Ill., retired after 35 years of teaching in the elementary school of the Lena-Winslow School District.

Duane E. Gingerich '70, Lititz, Pa., is president of Badorf Shoe Company, Inc., which is an importer/distributor of children's shoes to retail chains and independent shoe stores throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Liz A. Gunden '74, Goshen, is administrative director of Goshen Birth Center and an adjunct faculty member in the nursing graduate program at Goshen College. **Geoff W. Landis '76** is co-owner of Menno Travel Service.

Lois Hooley Hall '72, Mabelvale, Ark, continues to work post-op in an out-patient surgery center, where she has been for more than 10 years.

Allan J. Kauffman '71, mayor of Goshen, was presented with the Russell G. Lloyd Distinguished Service Award on Oct. 6, 2009. The award is given yearly to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to local government, public service, leadership and personal initiatives.

Nancy Geiser Kauffmann '73, Goshen, began in May 2009 as a denominational minister for Mennonite Church USA, working out of the Elkhart, Ind., office after serving as an Indiana-Michigan Conference regional minister for nearly nine years.

Nancy J. Zumbrun Leichty '74, Goshen, is a substitute paraprofessional for Goshen Community Schools. In 2010 she will celebrate five years of being cancer free.

Donald R. Lundberg '71, Indianapolis, Ind., joined Barnes and Thornburg LLP on Jan. 1, 2010, as a partner and deputy general counsel to the firm after serving as the executive secretary of the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission

since December 1991.

Sharon Britton Miller '71, San Francisco, Calif., was appointed acting library director at Mechanics' Institute Library, the oldest continuously operating library west of the Mississippi.

Tom L. Miller '73, Lancaster, Pa., is a hospice and palliative care physician for Hospice of Lancaster County.

Carol J. Pankratz '72, Eugene, Ore., works as a clinical nurse specialist for Agate Resources, a healthcare management company. She works in nurse care management for low-income Oregonians, improving their access to quality health care. On June 1, 2009, she earned her Certified Case Manager (CCM) certification.

Michael J. Phend '72 and **Amy Conrad Phend '72** relocated to Mishawaka, Ind., where Mike is a hospitalist physician at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center.

F. Jay Shetler '74, Phoenix, Ariz., president and CEO of Glencroft Retirement Community, was presented the Award of Honor during the 26th Annual Conference and Exposition of the Aging Services of Arizona on June 3, 2009. The annual award recognizes the achievements of an individual, group or organization that has served the not-for-profit community with distinction; made outstanding contributions toward the welfare of older persons and/or demonstrated exceptional service and leadership in the field of senior housing, long-term care or aging services.

Mary Jo Hartzler Short '73, Goshen, retired in June 2009 after teaching first and second grades for 22 years at Syracuse Elementary School.

Barbara E. Stone '73, Millersburg, Ohio, began fall 2009 as professor at Energy Medicine University, which is a distance learning program. In September, she joined a five-person team for a three-week humanitarian mission in Rwanda, doing trauma healing work with orphans who are survivors of the genocide in 1994, and in Nigeria, teaching on energy healing.

Lauralea Suess '74 and Bill Becker, Chicago, Ill., were married Nov. 7, 2009.

Ron E. Tyson '73, Cairo, Egypt, and Jan Barnes were married June 2, 2006. Ron is teaching at the Ulaanbaatar American School in Mongolia after teaching at the American International School in Cairo the past two years. They enjoy Mongolia's first ski resort and bowling alley.

DEATHS

Ruth Becker Cripe '71, wife of **Don Cripe '71**, 43 rue Henri Barjavel, Montfavet 84140, France, died Nov. 8, 2009.

Phil L. Richard '74, husband of Sandra Richard, 208 S. Lancaster Ave., Hesston, KS 67062, died June 7, 2009.

P. Mark Smucker '70, husband of Jeanne Smucker, 8073 Springwater Drive W., Indianapolis, IN 46256, died Sept. 16, 2009, of leukemia.

Maurice K. Yoder '71, husband of Phyllis J. Yoder, 245 Angling Road, Apt. 212, Kendallville, IN 46755, died June 30, 2009.

NEWS 1975-79

Michael T. Bender '79 and **Alice Gunden Bender '79** moved to Chevy Chase, Md., in December 2008 when Michael began as program director in genetics and developmental biology at the National Institutes of Health. Alice started her job as nutrition communications manager for the American Institute of Cancer Research in June 2009.

Lowell M. Birkey '77, Des Moines, Iowa, works as a flight nurse at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines.

Ronald D. Blaum '77, Goshen, is director of gift and estate planning at Church World Service and also owns an insurance practice focusing primarily on life insurance and annuities. He earned the Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow (LUTCF) insurance designation in 2008 and was honored by the Elkhart County Chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisers (NAIFA) as the adviser of the year for 2009. **Cheryl Leichty Blaum '78** is administrative assistant for the nursing department at Goshen College. In September 2009 she also became an independent NORWEX consultant, telling others how they can reduce chemical usage in the home and improve the environment and health in the process.

Greg A. Ebersole '75, Longview, Wash., was laid off his job as photographer at *The Daily News* after 21 years. Since then he received certification as an ESL teacher and now teaches part time for Lower Columbia College. In December, he moved to Cali, Colombia, to study Spanish and possibly teach English.

Roderick D. Fretz '78, Salem, Ore., continues as the head women's soccer coach and teaches a few courses in the health and physical education department at Western Oregon University, where they compete in the NCAA Division II and in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. He also works as a reservist for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as a community relations field specialist and covers a FEMA assignment on a disaster site somewhere in the U.S. once or twice a year

Judith Beck Gongwer '79, Elkhart, Ind., continues to work at Concord High School as one of two school nurses. She is also the youth camp coordinator for Little Eden Camp in Onekama, Mich.

Dorothy Beachy Hathaway '75 and her husband Mel relocated to Dalton, Ohio, in August 2009. Dorothy is an adjunct clinical nursing instructor at Malone University, Canton, and Mel is pastor at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church near Kidron.

Betty Headrick McCrae '75, Lakewood, Colo., was ordained by Mountain States Mennonite Conference as a pastor at Glennon Heights Mennonite Church, Lakewood, Colo., on July 19, 2009.

Ruth A. Kauffmann '79, Deerfield, Ill., began teaching Spanish at Trinity International University in September 2009. Her husband Brian Roots is pastor at Christ United Methodist Church in Deerfield.

F. David King '79, La Jolla, Calif., continues as vice president of business development at Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Bruce D. Leichty '76 married Kathy Cumins on April 4, 2009, in New York City. Bruce opened a second office for his law practice in Escondido, Calif., where he and Kathy now reside.

Christina M. Litwiller '79, Salina, Kan., graduated May 23, 2009, with a master of divinity degree from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind. She received the Gertrude Roten award for excellence in Greek exegesis. Christina began as pastor of Salina (Kan.) Mennonite Church on May 31, 2009.

Miriam Miller Mast '78, Middlebury, Ind., is a pediatric registered nurse on the family care unit at Goshen General Hospital. She began a master's program in fall 2009 in the nurse educator track at Bethel College, Mishawaka, Ind.

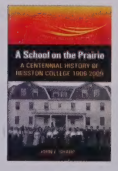
David B. Miller '79, Elkhart, Ind., began a position at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary as associate professor of missional leadership development on July 1, 2009. He was formerly pastor of University Mennonite Church, State College, Pa.

Brenda L. Monce '75, Fort Wayne, Ind., a certified rehabilitation registered nurse, has worked in physical rehabilitation for 22 years, the past 11 years at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Fort Wayne. She presently works as a nurse liaison.

Randy B. Murray '77, Orrville, Ohio, is pastor of Martins Mennonite Church. **Amy Yoder Murray '78** is a substitute teacher for Central Christian High School where their children attend.

David L. Myers '78, Evanston, Ill., is director of the Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives of FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency).

John E. Sharp '76, Hesston, Kan., wrote *A School on the Prairie: A Centennial History of Hesston College, 1909-2009*, a product of four years of research, interviews, countless hours in archives and weaving the information into a narrative. A book signing and reception was held on Sept. 25 during the Hesston Centennial Homecoming 2009.



Nancy Potteiger Slavin '79, San Diego, Calif., will be in London studying tropical nursing at the University of London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine from September 2009 to February 2010.

Marianne Lahr Smith '78, Fort Wayne, Ind., works as a registered nurse in the cardiac cath/EP lab as clinical reimbursement specialist at Lutheran Hospital.

Ruth Horst Stoltzfus '79, Goshen, was awarded a scholarship by the Indiana League for Nursing (ILN) at its annual meeting June 26, 2009, on Evidence Based Practice in Indianapolis. ILN offers one scholarship a year to a member of the organization who is pursuing an advanced degree in nursing education. Ruth is working on a Ph.D. in nursing education with a minor in educational psychology.

Ann Croyle Weldy '75, Milford, Ohio, completed an M.B.A. in healthcare management from Regis University, Denver, Colo., in June 2009 and is working for Talecris Plasma Resources as a medical supervisor in Toledo, Ohio.

Barbara Zehr Yoder '75 relocated to Asheville, N.C., in August 2008 for her husband Sanford to pastor the Asheville Mennonite Church. Barb works as an activities assistant at Laurels of Greentree Ridge Nursing Home.

Deborah Cady Yoder '78, Marion, Ohio, is a nursing instructor at Marion Technical College.

Lloyd Zeager '76, Lancaster, Pa., retired after 24 years as librarian at the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, where he continues to work part time as well as volunteer.

DEATHS

Monna Dorsett Chrisman '77, wife of Carroll G. Chrisman, 605 Skyview Drive, Goshen, IN 46528, died Nov. 1, 2009.

Juliana M. Kuhl '77, New Paris, died Nov. 11, 2009.

Marsha Hooley Miller, wife of **Randy C. Miller '75**, 22932 Aldenwood Court, Elkhart, IN 46514, died July 27, 2009.

Eleanor Swift '76, Hollidaysburg, Pa., died June 21, 2009.

NEWS 1980-84

Ann Garman Brady '84, Colorado Springs, Colo., earned a master's degree in nursing information from the University of Colorado, Denver, Anachutz Medical Campus, in May 2009.

Sam P. Burkholder '80, Alexandria, Va., is a partner in Capitol City TechLaw, in Old Town Alexandria, and continues to practice patent law. He also coaches his two sons' soccer teams.

Yvonne Diaz '80, Ligonier, Ind., began in May 2009 as executive director of Iglesia Menonita Hispana, an associate group of Mennonite Church USA. Yvonne relates to approximately 100 Latino churches, providing resources, information and encouragement and is an advocate for Latinos with MCUSA and its agencies.

Cyndi Lyndaker Eaton '83, Littleton, N.C., was chosen as one of the Great One Hundred Nurses for North Carolina in 2009. In October 2008 she received her master's degree in education from the University of Phoenix. She also received certification as a lactation counselor, and has now started her own business for lactation counseling. Cyndi became a doctoral learner for the University of Phoenix's philosophy of nursing program the first week of December.

D. Jonathan Grieser '81, Madison, Wis., accepted the call as rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Madison after teaching religious studies for 15 years, including the last 10 at Furman University in Greenville, S.C. He was ordained a priest in 2006 and had served St. James Church in Greenville as associate rector.

Laura Budd Horning '81, Goshen, works part time as a registered nurse at Goshen General Hospital on the medical floor and part time as a school nurse at West Goshen Elementary School.

D. Michael Hunsberger '84 and **Susan Graber Hunsberger '86** and their daughter Evelyn live in Sofia, Bulgaria, where Mike is the managing director of the Bulgarian American Enterprise Fund. Susan has recently completed several interior design projects and paints in her spare time.

Jerri Studer Longacre '80, Port Deposit, Md., has been a community health nurse with the Cecil County Health Department as a case manager of the colorectal cancer screening program for 26 years. **Glen D. Longacre '82** teaches technology education at Southampton Middle School in Hartford County. He has been teaching for 26 years. They host bed and breakfast guests on weekends, holidays and during the summer in their historic home.

A. Edward Mendoza '80, Carmel, Ind., is taking a one-year sabbatical from Westfield Middle School to serve as vice president of education for Christel House International, which serves the educational and social needs of children in extreme poverty, with schools located in Mexico, India, South Africa, Venezuela and Indianapolis, Ind.

Rod R. Miller '81 and Melanie Miller, Plain City, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Cadence Gwen on July 30, 2009.

Dan A. Nafziger '83, Goshen, began as health officer for the Elkhart County Health Department on Aug. 10, 2009. He also works as the infectious disease physician for Goshen General Hospital.

David D. Reimer '84, Vienna, Va., is deputy director of the Office of East African

ALUMNUS JOINS OBAMA ADMINISTRATION

President Barack Obama has appointed **Roger N. Beachy '66** as the first director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). NIFA, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will fund research and technological innovations aimed at making U.S. agriculture more productive, environmentally sustainable and economically viable.

"I am honored to have been selected for this position by the president and am committed to sharing my knowledge and experiences to help shape research and its applications that will impact agriculture and food in the U.S. and in developing economies," said Beachy, who since 1999 had been president of the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center in St. Louis, Mo.

Beachy, a 2001 recipient of the college's Culture for Service Alumni Award, is an international leader in plant science. He conducted research that led to the first genetically engineered food crop – a viral-resistant strand of tomato. Through his research, Beachy created rice and cassava crops with improved disease resistance for developing nations.

Beachy earned a doctorate degree in plant pathology from Michigan State University in 1973. He taught at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., headed the division of plant biology at The Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif., and also was an adjunct professor of biology at Peking University in China and the University of California. Beachy and his wife, Teresa S. Brown Beachy '68, have two adult children.

– By Richard R. Aguirre

PHOTO PROVIDED BY THE DONALD DANFORTH PLANT SCIENCE CENTER

Affairs at the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C., and is responsible for U.S. foreign relations with 11 East African nations.

Graham S. Shantz '83, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, began as ambassador of Canada to the Kingdom of Spain in September and is also concurrently accredited as Canada's Ambassador to the Principality of Andorra.

Michael R. Sherer '82 (faculty '97-present), Goshen, graduated May 23, 2009, with a master of arts degree in theological studies from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind. Michael continues as information technology director at Goshen College and executive director of Mennonite.net.

J.D. Smucker '83, Goshen, is enjoying his 22nd year as vocal music instructor at Bethany Christian Schools. **Beth Hochstetler Smucker '88** has been working for two years at Parkside Elementary School.

NEWS 1985-89

P. Ellah Wakatama Allfrey '88, East Dulwich, England, was appointed as deputy editor for *Granta* magazine. She was formerly senior editor at Jonathan Cape. Ellah also sits on the board of the Writers' Centre Norwich, has initiated the literature strand of the Harare International Festival of the Arts and is involved in international literature ventures mentoring writers and establishing best practice guidelines for editors.

Doris Ebersole Bickel '89, Goshen, retired in June from Chamberlain Elementary School after teaching 20 years with Goshen Community Schools.

Kay A. Bontrager-Singer '85, Goshen, was ordained June 14, 2009, at Faith Mennonite Church, Goshen, where she is co-pastor.

Linda Martin Burkholder '89 and her husband Brian, Harrisonburg, Va., led an Eastern Mennonite University cross-cultural group to Paraguay and Bolivia in July 2009, where they attended Mennonite World Conference Assembly 15 and the Global Youth Summit.

Jay K. Gusler '87, Lake Tapps, Wash., works at Auburn Multicare Clinic as a physician. **Nicole Clymer Gusler '89** enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.

Melody Yeazell Hays '87, Mars Hill, N.C., is instructor of communication at South College and Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, both in Asheville.

Philip L. Hertzler '85, Mount Pleasant, Mich., was promoted to professor of biology at Central Michigan University, effective fall 2009. Last year he secured $447,046 in funding as a co-principal investigator from the NSF Major Research Instrumentation program for a new confocal microscope at CMU. Phil was also awarded a MacMaster's Fellowship from CSIRO, Australia, for research on shrimp aquaculture in Brisbane, Australia, for July 2010.

Randal Hertzler '89, Gaithersburg, Md., works as the reference service coordinator at Montgomery College, Rockville, Md.

Bruce A. Hostetler '87, Portland, Ore., is self employed as a theatre/opera director, playwright and teacher. He directs throughout the western U.S. and Canada, and his new musical, "Hamburger Square," will be part of the Portland Fertile Ground Festival in January 2010.

Hanna J. Khoury '86 and Lisa Khoury, Concord, Calif., celebrated the birth of David Hanna on March 30, 2009. He joins Gabriel, 2. Hanna just started a new position as senior claim analyst for a construction business.

Jennifer Friesen LeFevre '86, Hesston, Kan., chair of Hesston College's physical education department, teaches physical education courses and nutrition. After completing massage school, she passed the National Certification Examination for Therapeutic Massage exam in March 2009. Jen runs a part-time business, Zen Jen Massage Therapy and Personal Training.

Daniel Koop Liechty '88 and **Jill Koop Liechty '90**, Midland, Mich., returned to the U.S. from India when Dan was offered the position of dean of international programs at Northwood University, Midland, Mich. They had worked at Woodstock School for the past three years as mission associates with Mennonite Mission Network. Jill is working at home with their three children.

James Logan '85, Richmond, Ind., was awarded tenure and associate professorship of religion and African and African American studies in 2008 at Earlham College. In May 2009 he was named director of African and African American Studies.

Rebecca J. Martin '88, a mezzo-soprano soloist from Nuremberg, Germany, presented a classical music concert to honor her grandmother's 100th birthday on Nov. 1 in New Holland, Mich. She was accompanied at the piano by **Marvin Blickenstaff (faculty '78-99)**.

Pamela Hershey '86 and **Paul Mercer '83**, Columbiana, Ohio, were married on May 23, 2009.

Brad T. Miller '88, Goshen, began working as an independent sales representative in June 2009 with Ideal Seating in White Pigeon, Mich., which manufactures an extensive line of office and specialty seating products.

Lyle G. Miller '88 (faculty '88-08), Goshen, graduated May 23, 2009, with a certificate in theological studies from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind. He continues as minister to children at Waterford Mennonite Church. **Bonnie Hostetler Miller '88** is a full-time special education teacher at Heritage Intermediate School in the Middlebury School System.

Friedrich H. Petri '89 and Sharon Byerly, Chicago, Ill., celebrated the birth of Benjamin Hans on May 22, 2009. Fred is a computer lab teacher at Gary Elementary School.

Christine L. Scherer '87, Jones, Mich., was named Co-New Counselor of the Year by Mennonite Mutual Association at its national conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 2, 2009, sharing the honor with **Greg Liestman '94**, Fisher, Ill. The award is presented each year to an outstanding counselor who has been with MMA for three years or less and this year there was a tie. Chris is a counselor in the MMA financial office in Goshen, where she helps her clients integrate their finances with their faith.

Jennifer M. Ulrich '87, Harrisonburg, Va. was recognized for 20 years of service as the technical services librarian in Hartzler Library at Eastern Mennonite University at the annual recognition dinner on April 28, 2009.

Ann Gusler Vendrely '85, Flossmoor, Ill., is professor of physical therapy at Governors State University, University Park, Ill. During the last two years, she taught half time while she served as co-chair of the HLC steering committee for the reaffirmation of the University's accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. Ann received her doctor of physical therapy (DPT) degree from Regis University, Denver, Colo., in 2008 and her doctorate in education from Loyola University Chicago in 2002.

Jacqueline Glick Walker '89, Western Springs, Ill., is a family physician in private practice in a suburb of Chicago. She is pleased to be working with her father **Melvin Glick '63**. Her practice focuses on geriatric and hospice medicine and she also teaches part time with the Hinsdale Family Practice Residency.

Lila Tijerina Weber '86, Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada, enjoys her work as the supervisor for the intake and investigation team for a child protection agency that serves aboriginal families in the lower mainland of British Columbia. **Jerry Weber '88** works as facilitator of ImPROVE strategic planning and transformation support for the Provincial Health Care Authority, based out of BC Women's Hospital. His job, which combines his nursing and manufacturing skills, is to improve systems and process using the Lean Method that he learned while doing manufacturing.

Jana Goering Wheeler '86 and David Wheeler, Osseo, Mich., celebrated the birth of Sonya Janae on Sept. 1, 2009. She joins Jacob, 18, Joel, 15, Hannah, 11, and Benjamin, 2.

R. Bruce Yoder '87, Brookline, Mass., is on study leave from serving with Mennonite Mission Network in West Africa. He began pursuing studies in church history and mission studies at the Boston University School of Theology in September.

Edward W. Zuercher '87, Phoenix, Ariz., was recently named Phoenix assistant city manager and will oversee three deputy city manager positions, the public safety

manager and city departments including public transit, budget and research, street transportation, information technology services and the city's light rail program. Ed has held various positions in Phoenix city management since 1993.

NEWS 1990-94

D. Scott Bodiker '92, Millersburg, Ohio, was voted Ohio Division 3 Soccer Coach of the Year and was honored at the award banquet in Columbus, Ohio, on Dec. 6, 2009.

Wendell L. Bontrager '91, Fort Wayne, Ind., has been promoted to executive vice president by Tower Bank. Wendell was appointed chief lending officer in June 2008 and has filled a variety of roles since joining Tower Bank in 1999.

Lisa M. Bohnert Rose '93 and Paul Rose, Lombard, Ill., celebrated the birth of Elias Paul Dec. 1, 2008. Lisa will return to teaching orchestra in grades 4-8 at several schools in Downers Grove, Ill., in fall 2010.

Sandra L. Brown '90, Springfield, Va., joined the Washington office of the law firm Thompson Hine LLP as a partner in the firm's transportation practice group in September 2009, after working as a partner for 12 years with Troutman Sanders. Her experience includes advising clients on buying, selling and moving coal domestically and internationally.

Casilda Cabral Chenier '91, Goshen, is a physician's assistant at Goshen Family Physicians. **Tom Chenier '92** owns GreenView Solutions, which focuses on helping businesses succeed by leveraging highly dependable lower cost technology solutions, specifically utilizing efficient servers, virtualization, cloud computing and opensource technologies. He has also done some consulting work in FDA/GMP compliance for the biotech industry since returning in July from their one-year service assignment in Honduras.

Brad C. Clinehens '94, Merrillville, Ind., is enrolled in a professional certificate program in Distance Education/eLearning through the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Since 2002, he had been working in extension education (community and economic development) through University of California-Davis and Purdue University.

Susan L. Conrad '92, Lancaster, Pa., was ordained at East Chestnut Street Mennonite Church on May 16, 2009.

Suella Lehman Gerber '94, Goshen, graduated from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary on May 23, 2009, with a master of divinity degree. She received the Millard Lind award for excellence in Old Testament interpretation. On June 1 Suella began as pastor of Fellowship of Hope, Elkhart, Ind., and was installed on June 14, 2009.

Jeremy W. Gingerich '93, Hubbard, Ore., completed a post-baccalaureate certificate in accounting from Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore., and works as an accountant for Wilcox Arredondo & Co., which is owned by fellow classmate **Sabino Arredondo '93**.

Cynthia M. Hockman-Chupp '90 and Kevin Hockman-Chupp, Canby, Ore., celebrated the adoption of Joshua TianGuang Hockman Chupp on May 18, 2009. Joshua was born Feb. 23, 2006, in Guangxi, China, and joins Kasaundra, 19, Bethany, 15, Brandon, 13, and Caleb, 7.

Philip M. Horst '93, Astoria, N.Y., recently made a very successful last-minute debut at Frankfurt Opera performing the grueling role of Mandryka in Strauss' opera "Arabella" on Sept. 18. Phil had sung the role four months earlier in Switzerland. He had 28 hours notice to learn two pages of music and some new dialogue, and learned the staging for this giant role in six hours on the day of the performance. The fellow singers met for the first time during the performance. His efforts were rewarded, to his relief, with oceans of bravos at the end of the evening. And then, he had to do it again on Sept 26.

Miriam E. Huebert-Stauffer '90 and Christopher Huebert-Stauffer, Canton, Kan., celebrated the birth of Sapphire Diana on April 23, 2009. She joins Jade, 7, Sterling, 5 and Russet, 3.

Roger E. Lehman '91, Southlake, Texas, began as managing partner of Oliver Wyman's global aviation aerospace and defense consulting practice in 2008.

Gregory E. Liestman '94, Fisher, Ill., was named Co-New Counselor of the Year by Mennonite Mutual Association at its national conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 2, 2009, sharing the honor with **Chris Scherer '87**, Goshen. The award is presented each year to an outstanding counselor who has been with MMA for three years or less and this year there was a tie. Greg is a counselor in the MMA Illinois-Fisher office where he helps clients integrate their finances with their faith through their insurance, investment and estate planning needs.

Leonard K. Mast '93, Platteville, Wis., works as a mechanical engineer at John Deere Dubuque.

Joy Y. Maust '90, Middlebury, and Rodney Holmes, Topeka, were married June 27, 2009. Joy teaches eighth grade English at Northridge Middle School, Middlebury.

Brian L. Miller '93, Jamaica Plain, Mass., earned a master's degree in business administration from the MIT Sloan School of Management in 2008 and a master's in health sciences and technology from the Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology on June 3, 2009.

Sammy B. Ondiek '92, Norcross, Ga., is global operations manager for Avaya, Inc. In 2003, he received his M.B.A. in supply chain management at Penn State University.

Jill L. Reedy '93, Washington, D.C., is a nutritionist with the National Cancer Institute in Washington, D.C. She earned her Ph.D. in nutrition from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in 2003.

Scott D. Reeser '94 and **Angie D. Wyse Reeser '97**, Madison, Wis., celebrated the birth of Chloe Elizabeth on Aug. 16, 2009. She joins Nathan, 5, and Mitchell, 2.

Marlene N. Reiff '94, Lancaster, Pa., works as program director/marriage and family therapist at Philhaven in Lancaster.

Sarah Conklin Roth '94, Goshen, works part time as school nurse at Prairie View Elementary School.

Mark R. Schloneger '92 and **Sarah Hubbard Schloneger '93**, Waynesboro, Va., celebrated the birth of Eli Randall on Aug. 20, 2009. He joins Adele, 8, and Norah, 5. Mark is pastor at Springdale Mennonite Church, and Sarah works at Augusta Health as a registered nurse on the obstetrics unit.

Matthew A. Shady '93, Decatur, Ind., is in charge of the paramedic program at Ivy Tech in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Lisa Nafziger Short '91, Goshen, is a school nurse at Chamberlain Elementary School in Goshen.

Bronson E. Troyer '93, Brownsburg, Ind., is chief financial officer for the Indiana University School of Medicine, department of psychiatry.

Linda Marner Yoder '92, Nappanee, Ind., left her position after 28 years as Nappanee Public Library director and accepted the position of vice president of government affairs for Electric Motors Corp. Linda will be taking an active role in representing both Electric Motors Corp. and Elkhart County in Washington, D.C., and Indianapolis. On Dec. 5, 2009, State Rep. Jackie Walorski presented her with the Distinguished Hoosier Award for her years of library and community service and because of her leadership role on starting committees, including Northern Indiana Computer Consortium for Libraries, a cooperative effort by libraries to purchase computers, and the Northern Indiana Tornado Recovery Organization implemented immediately after the October 2007 tornado that devastated Nappanee.

DEATHS

Kathleen Nussbaum Eberly '90, wife of **Chad A. Eberly '90**, 1408 Fishburn Road, Hershey, PA 17033, died Nov. 1, 2009.

Michelle Miller Omic '93, wife of Armin "Archie" Omic, c/o Don Miller, 56961 Pearl Ann Drive, Elkhart, IN 46516, died Nov. 7, 2009.

NEWS 1995-99

Matthew C. Bateman '99 and **Becky Wieand Bateman '00**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Lucas Jon on Sept. 26, 2009. He joins Gretchen, 2.

Kendra Miller Baumgartner '98 and **Craig Baumgartner '92**, Versailles, Mo., celebrated the birth of Annika Lynn on May 22, 2009. She joins Katharina, 5, and Lisel, 3.

Matthew D. Beachy '99 and Monica Beachy, Millersburg, Ind., celebrated the birth of Jeremiah on Dec. 11, 2008. He joins Brennan, 5, and Sawyer, 2. Matt continues as controller of Honeyville Metal.

Rebecca Beachy Miller '97 and Thomas Miller, Kalona, Iowa, celebrated the birth of Ava Elizabeth on July 23, 2009.

Bradley W. Bergey '98, Philadelphia, Pa., is pursuing a doctorate in educational psychology at Temple University. **Tonya Swartzendruber '02** is the HIV prevention program coordinator at Intercultural Family

Services.

Heather Bruinewoud Birky '96 and **Jason K. Birky '97**, Elkhart, Ind., celebrated the birth of Blaine Jared on March 11, 2009.

Angela M. Birky Bohnert '99 (faculty '99-01) and **Brian L. Bohnert '00**, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Xavier Gage Birky Bohnert on May 4, 2009.

Michael S. Bodiker '96 and Jodi Bodiker, Warsaw, Ind., celebrated the birth of Maya Renee on Aug. 4, 2009.

Todd J. Burkhalter '95, Asheville, N.C., is an account executive for Yellow Book.

Tom R. Chavez '99, San Diego, Calif., was a part-time volunteer in a homeless center and also tutored Chinese persons in English. In December he moved back to Mexico and now works in a university as a full-time English professor with Kennedy University.

Kira S. Cunningham '95 moved to Albuquerque, N.M. She teaches third/fourth grade at North Albuquerque Community Charter School.

Ami L. Steiner Damer '95 and Rich Schlamersdorf, Goshen, were married June 13, 2009. Ami is a kindergarten teacher at Roosevelt K-2 Primary School, Elkhart, Ind.

Joshua J. Fletcher '99 and Ashley Fletcher, Middlebury, Ind., celebrated the birth of Urban James on July 16, 2009. He joins Cora May, 18 months.

Amy Gingerich '99, Hudson, Ohio, was appointed to a newly created position of editorial director of Mennonite Publishing Network. She formerly worked as managing editor of Gather 'Round, a Christian education curriculum for children, youth and adults published cooperatively by MPN and Brethren Press. **Ryan Claassen '94** continues as assistant professor at Kent State University.

Matthew D. Hickman '99 and Deb Hickman, Normal, Ill., finalized the adoption of their daughter Laineigh Alyssa on May 4, 2009. Laineigh was born on July 9, 2007. She joins Makyla, 3.

Scott M. Hochstetler '97 (faculty '08-present), Goshen, had his article "Dona Nobis Pacem: Vaughan William's Federalist Manifesto" published in the June/July issue of the *Choral Journal*, the official publication of the American Choral Directors' Association.

Evan L. Hoover '95 and Lori Picking, Elkhart, Ind., were married Aug. 1, 2009. Evan continues as IT manager at ADEC.

Klaus B. Huebert '99 and Lauren Zamora were married in March 2009 and live in Miami, Fla. In June 2009 Klaus completed his Ph.D. in marine biology and began a postdoctoral position with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Curtis M. Jantzi '97 and Abigail Hovis, Hermitage, Pa., were married on Dec. 20, 2008. Curtis is a physician at Hermitage Community Medicine.

Nathaniel M. Jordan '98, Goshen, was named a partner in July 2009 by the law firm of Yoder Ainlay Ulmer & Buckingham, Goshen. Nat concentrates in general trial practice, focusing on governmental litigation, civil rights, construction and employment law.

Brooke E. Kandel '97, Indianapolis, Ind., received her Ph.D. in educational psychology with a focus in Hispanic bilingual education in May 2009 from Texas A&M University. She began a faculty position this fall as assistant professor of ESL and literacy at Butler University, Indianapolis.

Rachel L. Kauffman '99, Decatur, Ga., completed a double master's degree (M.S.N./M.P.H.) from Emory University with concentrations in public health nursing leadership and global environmental health. Rachel's thesis work on pesticide exposure and neurodevelopment in migrant farmworker children has resulted in a publication (currently in press) in the peer reviewed journal *International Journal of Child and Adolescent Health*. During her final year of graduate school, she focused on international infectious disease surveillance, with internships at the International Association of National Public Health Institutes, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization. Rachel works as an RN in the post-anesthesia care unit at Emory University Hospital and as an intern with WHO Global Salm-Surv (salmonella surveillance).

Glen A. Kauffmann '98 and **Chrissy Kilmer Kauffmann '99**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Grant Paul on Dec. 7. He joins Conner, 2. Glen was promoted to chief technology officer at Heritage Financial Group Inc.

Krista J. Kauffmann '99, Madison, Wis., completed her Ph.D. in English from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in July 2009. She works part time as an instructor at Madison Area Technical College and also part time as an associate lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Joni Sterk Light '99 and Derek Light, Elkhart, Ind., celebrated the birth of Gabrielle Drew on Dec. 8, 2009. She joins Drake, 1.

Chad R. Martin '98 and Jessica King, Lancaster, Pa., celebrated the birth of Eleni Iris on May 13. She joins Esme, 4. Chad was ordained as associate pastor at Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster, on Oct. 11, 2009.

Ryan L. Miller '95 and **Lisa Miller '97**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Lucas Isaac on Oct. 23, 2009. He joins Greta, 3.

David S. Moyer '96 and **Starla Haas Moyer '98**, and their son Arlen moved to Wembley, Alberta, Canada, in November 2009.

Lori L. Nunemaker '99, Findlay, Ohio, is a professional healthcare representative for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. She also serves as the director of Volunteer Efforts for the City Mission of Findlay and is pursuing an M.B.A. degree at the University of Findlay.

Nathan D. Osborne '95 and Kathleen Jones, Atlanta, Ga., celebrated the birth of Norah Fentress Osborn on July 28, 2009. Nate is an operations engineer at Predictix, a software company in Atlanta.

Roger L. Prough '98 and **Jennifer Vardaman Prough '99** and their two children moved to Avon Lake, Ohio, in November 2009. Roger began as director at McGladrey and Pullen, in Cleveland, Ohio, on Oct. 1. On Nov. 15, he was inducted into the Elkhart County Sports Hall of Fame for 2009.

Mark A. Schildt '96 and **Sue Stanley Schildt '96** moved to Tucson, Ariz., with their three children. Mark works part time as a family physician at St. Elizabeth's of Hungary Clinic, a free clinic in central Tucson run by Catholic Community Services. Mark and Sue are also the local program coordinators for the Mennonite Voluntary Service unit in Tucson.

Kyle Schlabach '96 (faculty '06-present) and **Jessica Baldanzi (faculty '06-present)**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Thomas Niklas Baldanzi Schlabach on Dec. 10, 2009.

Dana M. Selzer '95 and Jeff Selger and their three children began a three-year mission term in July 2009 in Salatiga, Indonesia. Dana teaches first grade and Jeff teaches high school Bible and physical education at Mountainview International Christian School.

Mark Short '99 and Alysa Sauder, Archbold, Ohio, were married on June 26, 2009.

S. Anthony Showalter '99, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Chelsea Vaughn, New York City, N.Y., were married on Sept. 12, 2009. Anthony is the senior associate for strategy and technology at Echoing Green, a nonprofit organization in New York that provides financing to startup nonprofit groups; he is responsible for managing the Web site and social-network marketing.

Robert J. Steiner '98 and **Sarah Burkholder Steiner '98**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Eli Jacob on Oct. 18, 2009. He joins Jonah, 6, and Isaac, 4.

Philip C. Swartzendruber '98 and Marie Swartzendruber, South Miami, Fla., celebrated the birth of Evan Matthew on Oct. 31, 2009.

Nathaniel J. Trueblood '99 and **Jamie Miller Trueblood '99**, Ankeny, Iowa, celebrated the birth of Maggie Jay on Sept. 30, 2009. She joins Tatum Savannah, 2. Nate continues to work for XPEDX as a business imaging specialist and Jamie is a stay-at-home mom.

Jeff M. Vardaman '97 and Janet Vardaman, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Jaiden Nicole on Aug. 7, 2009. She joins Jovie, 2. Jeff enjoys being a stay-at-home dad. Janet is a nurse anesthetist with Great Lakes Anesthesia.

Adam J. Weaver '96 and Molly McGlone Weaver, Madison, Wis., celebrated the birth of Silas McGlone Weaver on Aug. 7, 2009.

Gregory M. Wendling '99, Chicago, Ill., is assistant director of the office of sponsored programs at Children's Memorial Hospital. He also writes, produces and directs sketch comedy revues in Chicago. This past fall he enrolled in an M.B.A. program with National-Louis University.

Matthew G. Wiens '98 and **Laura Charles '00**, Brooklyn, N.Y., celebrated the birth of Henry Charles Wiens on Aug. 11, 2009.

Peter D. Wiens '97, Reston, Va., is

pursuing a Ph.D. degree in education at the University of Virginia. He completed his M.A. in educational administration in 2005 from Michigan State University.

Amanda K. Willems Dutkiewicz '99 and Rob Dutkiewicz, South Bend, Ind., celebrated the birth of Milo Benjamin on Aug. 24, 2009. He joins Maren, 6, and Simon, 2.

Garner Wireman '96, Goshen, was accepted into the M.B.A. program at Indiana Wesleyan University through Vertical Learn Curve online program. He works at Oaklawn Psychiatric Center as employee development specialist. He also facilitates drum circles/rhythm events through Pulse Beat Nation. **Angie Law Wireman '95** is the technology resource specialist for Chandler Elementary School in Goshen.

Julie Plank Yoder '96 and Eric L. Yoder, McVeytown, Pa., were married on June 9, 2001. Julie received a master's degree in curriculum and instruction in July 2001 and teaches kindergarten at Strodes Mills Elementary School.

Laura Glick Yoder '97, Harrisonburg, Va., is assistant professor of nursing at Eastern Mennonite University. **Ed Yoder '98** continues working as a CPA for PBGH.

Benjamin S. Yost '96, Providence, R.I., and Saida Hodzic, Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina, were married on Sept. 19, 2009. Benjamin received his Ph.D. in rhetoric from the University of California-Berkeley in May 2007 and is now assistant professor of philosophy at Providence (R.I.) College.

NEWS 2000-04

Kaleab Z. Abebe '03, Pittsburgh, Pa., finished his Ph.D. in statistics at the University of Pittsburgh in June 2009 and is assistant professor of medicine at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. **Alyssa Beck Abebe '03** is a physician assistant at the University of Pittsburgh.

Michael Awori '00 and Ann Marie Harms, Chicago, Ill., were married June 20, 2009. Michael resigned at JP Morgan in mid-April to focus on completing his M.B.A. at the University of Chicago. Last summer he did an internship in South Africa with a socially focused private equity firm.

Ana Mejia Bailey '01 and Benjamin Bailey, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Andrew Gene on Oct. 31, 2009. He joins Nathaniel, 2.

Raluca Barzu '04, Knoxville, Tenn., and Chris Loher, South Haven, Mich., were married Nov. 21, 2009. Raluca received her master's degree in business communication in June 2009 from Spalding University, Louisville, Ky., and continues to work as marketing manager for an international group of industrial companies based in Louisville, telecommuting from their home in Knoxville.

Sweta B. Basnet '03 and Sravan Thapa, Herndon, Va., were married June 27, 2009. Sweta works as an IT business analyst at Microstrategy, Inc., in McLean, Va. She received her master's degree in information and communication sciences from Ball State University in July 2005.

Ben Beachy '04, Washington, D.C., is the national grassroots organizer for Witness for Peace, a U.S.-based organization that has worked since 1983 to transform U.S. economic and military policies inhibiting peace, justice and sustainable economies in Latin America.

Melisa A. Birkey '04, Wichita, Kan., graduated from Wichita State University with a master of science in nursing in the family nurse practitioner program in July and passed the national board certification exam in October 2009. She is a nurse practitioner in the emergency department at Via Christi Regional Medical Center.

Andrea B. Bontrager Yoder '04, Madison, Wis., graduated in May 2009 with a master of music degree in voice performance at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She continues to teach voice lessons part time while pursuing a Ph.D. in nutritional sciences also at UW-Madison.

Olivia Roth Brubaker '03, Philadelphia, Pa., continues as undergraduate coordinator in the mechanical engineering and applied mechanics department at the University of Pennsylvania. She also is a member of a comedic improvisational group called ComedySportz.

Peter A. Byler '01 and Meghan Byler, Longmeadow, Mass., celebrated the birth of Asher Lincoln on Oct. 29, 2009. He joins Ephram, 2.

David A. Chupp '00 and **Sara Rhodes Chupp '01**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Samantha Marie on Sept. 30, 2009. She joins Morgan, 3, and Adrienne, 1.

Steven Clemens '00 and **Rebecca Waltner-Toews '02**, Pittsburgh, Pa., celebrated the birth of Ira David on Oct. 13, 2009.

Jeffrey A. Clemmer '03, Goshen, is a sales associate for Essenhaus Foods, Middlebury, Ind. **Alana Warlick Clemmer '02** works at Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, Goshen.

Yayumi Uyeno Davis '03 and James Davis, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, celebrated the birth of Julian James on Aug. 26, 2009.

Adam T. Derstine '04 and **Elise Hofer Derstine '04** moved to Goshen in August 2009. Adam is a free-lance video producer and editor, and Elise is a free-lance writer and editor.

Sasha M. Dyck '04, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, completed his M.Sc.(A) in nursing from McGill University in Montreal in May 2009. He now coordinates MOXXI Project, a nursing informatics research project at McGill.

Kari Brenneman Ferguson '00 and Dan Ferguson, Portland, Ore., celebrated the birth of Nico Edan on Sept. 12, 2009.

Fred J. Gingerich '01, Chicago, Ill., and Sarah Kanagy, Goshen, were married Nov. 14, 2009. Fred works for Spot Trading as accounting supervisor.

Jennifer A. Gunden '03 and Craig Barnhard, Indianapolis, Ind., were married Sept. 19, 2009.

T. Gabriel Hershberger '01, Goshen, is currently living and commuting between Goshen, where he is a farmhand at Clay Bottom Farm, a small-scale sustainable operation, and Chicago, where he is a librarian at the classical music station WFMT and does free-lance work as a live sound and recording audio engineer. He is currently enrolled in the Kamana Naturalist Training Program from Wilderness Awareness School in Duvall, Wash., and has also taken classes at Tom Brown Jr.'s Tracker School in Waretown, N.J.

Lorri Briggs Howard '01, Portage, Mich., is working on a master's degree in curriculum and instruction at the University of Scranton Online. In the summer she works for Pioneer Hi-bred International, Inc., as a labor contractor.

David C. Johnson '04, Harrisonburg, Va., is a photojournalist with WHSV TV 3 in Harrisonburg. He also works as a free-lance wedding photographer with his wife Tia. Their business, Johnson Photography, focuses mainly on weddings, but also includes family portraits.

Mary-Catherine Krieger '00 and Verlin Miller, Millersburg, Ind., were married Oct. 17, 2009. Mary is a kindergarten teacher at Woodland Elementary, Elkhart, Ind.

Anne Albrecht Lehman '03, Goshen, is a case manager with the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP) at the Center for Community Justice in Elkhart, Ind. **Aaron Lehman '04** continues as construction manager for Habitat for Humanity of Elkhart County.

Anna N. Liechty Sawatsky '01 and Joe Liechty Sawatsky, Mthatha, South Africa, celebrated the birth of Jesse Immanuel on Sept. 28, 2009. He joins Isaac, 6, Moses, 4, and Levi, 2.

Dawn King Mast '00 and Tony Mast, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Jacob Allen on Nov. 2, 2009. He joins Noah, 4, and Isaac, 2.

Marie Johnston Mast '03 and **Joseph M. Mast '03**, Millersburg, Ohio, celebrated the birth of Micah Joseph on May 1, 2009. He joins Emma, 5.

Juan J. Medina '00 and Emily E. Swank, South Bend, Ind., were married Aug. 1, 2009. Juan is an associate director of Latin American Sales for Moody's Analytics.

Ben G. Metcalf '04 and **Joy Houser Metcalf '05** began teaching at Academia Los Pinares in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, in fall 2008. Ben teaches sixth grade and Bible and Joy teaches first grade.

Susanna Meyer '02 and **Hallie Pritts '03**, Pittsburgh, Pa., belong to the band Boca Chica, which just released their second full-length album titled "Lace Up Your Workboots." The album climbed to number one on the Pennsylvania Roots Charts. Hallie also works as a translator for I-Profile.

Jason M. Miller '00 and Jennifer Souder, Philadelphia, Pa., were married July 18, 2009. Jason is director of social services for Bethesda Project which seeks to build a sense of family for the abandoned and the poor of greater Philadelphia, providing housing and other necessities.

Laura K. Moyer '01, Charlottesville, Va., completed a residency in internal medicine and began a geriatrics fellowship at the University of Virginia in July 2009.

Jeffrey M. Newcomer Miller '00 and Monica Newcomer Miller, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Joah Marcos on Aug. 31, 2009.

Eric A. Nisly '04, Goshen, a photographer and graphic designer, began his company, DE Design and Photography, in 2006. Along with photography, he does graphic design for businesses including Web site design and search engine optimization services.

Katrina A. Onyskow '03, La Porte, Ind., earned a master's degree in clinical mental health counseling in May 2007 from Valparaiso University. She works as a mental health professional under correctional medical services at Indiana State Prison in Michigan City.

Nathan M. Pletcher '00, Encinitas, Calif., received a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of California-Berkeley, in May 2008 and is working at Qualcomm in San Diego designing wireless communication chips. **Andrea Springer Pletcher '00** teaches first grade at Park Dale Lane Elementary School in Encinitas.

Rachel Ringenberg Miller '02 and Duane Miller, Portland, Ore., celebrated the birth of Magdalena Ringenberg Miller on Dec. 14, 2008. Rachel was ordained to pastoral ministry on Oct. 18, 2009. She is pastor of community life at Portland Mennonite Church.

Matthew L. Rissler '03, Dubuque, Iowa, and Angela L. Kohlhaas, South Bend, Ind., were married June 27, 2009. Matt continues as an assistant professor of mathematics at Loras College in Dubuque.

Emily C. Rodgers '03, Pittsburgh, released a new album titled "Bright Day" in October 2009 on Misra Records.

Justin K. Rothshank '00 and **Brooke Rothshank '00** moved to Goshen after living in Pittsburgh for nine years. Justin is a self-employed ceramic artist specializing in wood-fired ceramics and functional pottery decorated with custom ceramic decals. He was the recipient of an Award of Excellence from the American Craft Council in 2008. Brooke is a self-employed portrait painter, specializing in miniature portraiture, and a children's book illustrator, having illustrated three children's books. Her miniature portraits have been exhibited at the Midwest Museum of American Art and The Andy Warhol Museum.

Emily D. Rupp '03, Ashland, Ore., began a master of environmental education degree program in the fall at Southern Oregon University.

Angela Leslie Scott '04, Ligonier, Ind., is the program coordinator for the Ligonier Public Library. She was married to Jonathan Scott in 2007.

Charissa Keeler Sheehan '04, Valparaiso, Ind., received her juris doctorate in May 2007 from the Valparaiso University School of Law and works as an attorney for the Indiana Department of Child Services.

Timothy I. Shenk '03, New York, N.Y., completed his job as staff writer with Mennonite Central Committee in August and began a master's degree program in international affairs in the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University in New York City.

Rachel Stuckey Showalter '01 and **Hollins Showalter '02**, Indianapolis, Ind., celebrated the birth of Jillian Kaye on Nov. 10, 2009. Rachel earned a B.S.N. at Indiana University of Indianapolis in December 2007 and is a registered nurse at Riley Hospital for Children. Hollins earned a master's degree in statistics at the University of Minnesota in May 2004 and continues to work as a statistical analyst at Eli Lilly.

Htun Htun Soe '03, DeKalb, Ill., received a M.A. degree in political science from Northern Illinois University in May 2009. He works as a research associate at the Center for Governmental Studies, which is a part of NIU.

André B. Swartley '01, Bluffton, Ohio, started a publishing company, Workplay Publishing, and on Sept. 11, 2009, released his second novel, *Americanus Rex*, which is about world peace and is the premiere title for Workplay Publishing. Andre designed his company as a professional, user friendly and affordable resource for people to develop either their skills or new careers in writing. Andre also teaches adult ESL in the intensive language program through The Language Company: Bowling Green.

Kate Branum Swartley '01 received her M.A. degree in Spanish from Bowling Green State University in August 2008 and is currently teaching Spanish half time at Bluffton University.

GLOBAL INNOVATION COMMONS

A little-mentioned issue [in the climate change discussion] is the proper role of patents in encouraging the development of emissions-free energy technologies.

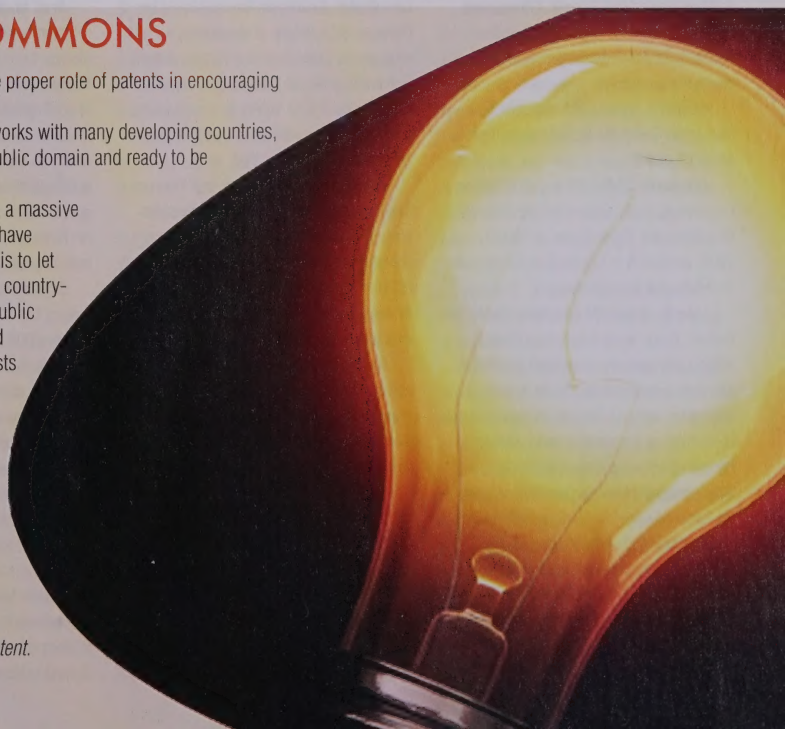
David E. Martin '89, an intellectual property activist who works with many developing countries, argues that a great many green technologies are already in the public domain and ready to be developed. They just need to be identified and used.

Martin's innovation is the Global Innovation Commons (GIC), a massive interactive archive of energy-saving technologies whose patents have expired, been abandoned or simply have no protection. The idea is to let entrepreneurs and national governments query the database on a country-by-country basis to identify helpful technologies that are in the public domain. Once identified, these technologies for energy, water and agriculture are prime candidates for being developed at lower costs than patented technologies.

The World Bank has estimated that the technologies in the GIC database could save more than $2 trillion in potential license fees. Martin argues that patents often serve to impede innovative technologies and make them unaffordable – at precisely the time when all countries of the world, rich and poor, need to adopt cutting-edge energy technologies to cut carbon emissions.

– By David Bollier, for onthecommons.org

To read the full story about Martin, visit: onthecommons.org/content.php?id=2577



Adam M. Tice '02 and **Maria Longoria Tice '02**, Hyattsville, Md., celebrated the birth of Ezra Daniel on July 9, 2009.

Steve Troyer '00 and **Lara Breeze Troyer '00**, Fort Collins, Colo., celebrated the birth of Nora Anne on Sept. 9, 2009. She joins Anya, 5, and Evan, 2 1/2.

Chad R. Weaver '02 and Rachel Bennett, Elkhart, Ind., were married June 13, 2009. Chad is chief photographer for *The Goshen News*.

Christopher C. Westerbeek '04 and Rebekah Yoder, Goshen, were married Aug. 22, 2009. The Westerbeeks reside in Saint Joseph, Mich. Chris continues as a senior financial analyst at Whirlpool Corporation, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Jill W. Widmer '04 and Josh Lundberg, Kalona, Iowa, were married May 30, 2009. Jill teaches Spanish at Iowa Mennonite School.

Dustin J. Wyse-Fisher '02 and **Tiffany Wyse-Fisher '02**, West Peoria, Ill., celebrated the birth of Liam Douglas Wyse-Fisher on Dec. 6, 2009. They also have a son, Miles Yo Seb Wyse-Fisher, born May 24, 2008, whom they brought home from Korea on April 3, 2009. Dustin continues to teach graphic design at Robert Morris University and Tiffany teaches art at Washington High School. Tiffany also completed a master's in fine art at the Academy of Art University in Dec. 2009 in fine art photography.

Brandy A. Yocum '04 and James Radomski, South Bend, Ind., were married Sept. 26, 2009.

Jessica A. Yoder '02 and Brad Miller, Englewood, Colo, celebrated the birth of Silas Emerson Miller Yoder on Nov. 1, 2009. Jessica is in her third and final year of family practice residency.

Luke D. Yoder '04 and **Katie Yoder '04**, Denver, Colo., were married on Sept. 6, 2009. Luke recently completed his M.B.A. and then a master's degree in conflict resolution at the University of Denver and is working as a project director at the Partnership for Families and Children, a local nonprofit. Katie is currently working at the Tattered Cover Bookstore in Denver.

Melissa Y. Beachy Yoder '03, her husband Allan and son Isaiah moved to Litchfield Park, Ariz., in June 2008. Melissa is store manager of Ten Thousand Villages, Glendale, Ariz.

NEWS 2005

Jeffrey R. Claassen and **Mariko Miyama Claassen**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Ethan James on May 30, 2009.

Brianne Graham Donaldson, Claremont, Calif., is the Southern California outreach coordinator for Vegan Outreach, a nonprofit organization working to end animal exploitation through compassionate eating. She is also working full time on a Ph.D. at Claremont Graduate University in philosophy of religion with an emphasis in consciousness studies, ecology and the human/animal bond.

Sarah Eisenhour Ennis and James Ennis, Simi Valley, Calif., celebrated the birth of Chloe Suzanne on May 22, 2009. She joins Judah, 2. Sarah is a registered nurse at Holy Cross Medical Center.

Kevin R. Hite, New Paris, Ind., began teaching fifth grade at Waterford Elementary School, Goshen, in the fall.

Stephanie M. Johnson, New Paris, Ind., teaches first grade at Prairie View Elementary School in Goshen.

Jason B. Kauffman, Durham, N.C., graduated in May 2009 with a master's degree in Latin American history from the University of New Mexico. Jason and **Lisa Graber Kauffman** then relocated to Durham, N.C., where Jason started a Ph.D. program in Latin American history at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill in August. Lisa works as a registered nurse at the Duke Birthing Center at Duke University Hospital.

Jennifer Gingrich Myers and Kevin Myers, Indianapolis, Ind., celebrated the birth of Nolan Keith on Sept. 2, 2009. Jen completed a M.S.W. in May 2009 from IUPUI and is working at St. Vincent's Primary Care Center as the prenatal education coordinator.

Sarah Pachulicz, Melle, Germany, completed a M.A. in industrial/organizational psychology at Michigan State University in 2008. She is now self-employed as a consultant in Germany.

Keith Paul and **Megan Pletcher Paul '07**, Middlebury, Ind., celebrated the birth of Malachi Elric on June 29, 2009. He joins Kaden, 4.

Adam B. Roth and **Karen Graber '08**, Goshen, were married June 20, 2009.

Cory R. Scott, Abingdon, Va., graduated with a master of social service degree from Byrn Mawr's master of social work and social research program in May 2009.

J. Ashley Sider and **Levi A. Kropf '06**, Portland, Ore., were married Sept. 6, 2009.

Joshua A. Snyder and Jennifer Snyder, Syracuse, Ind., celebrated the birth of Abigail Mae on Sept. 2, 2009.

Troy R. Springer, Elkhart, Ind., graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine in May 2009 and joined the dental team at Christiana Creek Dental Care, in July. Troy and **Catie Froese Springer '04** also celebrated the birth of Andrew Lee on July 3, 2009.

Kyle B. Yoder, Indianapolis, Ind., was chairman of the Indiana University Student Outreach Clinic Committee that started the IU Student Outreach Clinic in a near eastside Indianapolis neighborhood with medical students volunteering to provide free urgent care to the needy on Saturdays.

NEWS 2006

Krista H. Bergey, Washington, D.C., is a graduate student in speech pathology at the University of Maryland.

Allison M. Brenneman, Goshen, began working as energy education specialist in July 2009 for Goshen Community Schools.

Brett M. Burnham, Washington, D.C., received his bachelor of arts degree in biology from Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, N.H., and his master's degree in conflict transformation from Eastern Mennonite University in April 2009. Brett works as the chapter services associate to achieve full political equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Americans for National Stonewall Democrats (NSD), a federal political action committee (PAC).

Crystal M. Collier, Mishawaka, Ind., passed the CPA exam in May 2009 and is licensed as a certified public accountant. She continues to work in the tax department at Kruggel, Lawton & Company, South Bend, Ind.

Hope E. Greiser married Monty Graber on July 25, 2009. The Grabers reside in Newton, Kan., where Hope works for Mennonite Mission Network.

Aubrey D. Helmuth, Harrisonburg, Va., teaches music at Smithland Elementary School in Harrisonburg.

Carla Walker Henderson, Goshen, teaches second grade and is also an administrative assistant at Chandler Elementary School in Goshen.

Laura K. Hershberger, Denver, Colo., has been volunteering with Ak'Tenamit, a Maya organization in Guatemala, as a nurse in a rural clinic caring for indigenous populations in remote jungle villages since January 2008.

Matthew R. Hochstetler and Megan Nussbaum, Wooster, Ohio, were married on Sept. 12, 2009. Matt graduated magna cum laude from the University of Toledo College of Law with a juris doctorate in May 2009. He was elected to the Order of the Coif, an honor society for law school graduates who earn a J.D. and graduate in the top 10 percent of their class. He also served on the executive board of the University of Toledo *Law Review*, a student-edited academic journal that publishes quarterly issues. Matt is an attorney with Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston, Ltd., Wooster, and works in estate planning and administration, taxation and real estate development.

Alicia Janzen, Miami, Fla., is an administrative assistant at Yvonne Learning Center in Miami.

E. Myra Karina and Jeremy Chapman, South Bend, Ind., were married May 9, 2009. Myra works as a graphic designer at Kellmark Corporation, Elkhart, Ind.

William B. Leichty and **Katelyn N. Nafziger**, Goshen, were married Sept. 26, 2009. Will works as a senior associate for McGladrey & Pullen LLP and Kate works as a senior staff at Crowe Horwath LLP, both in Elkhart. Will and Kate both received their C.P.A. title in early 2009.

Elizabeth M. Miller and her husband Neil Richer of Goshen, began a three-year work assignment with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in Bogota, Colombia, in the fall. Elizabeth serves as an Anabaptist identity and history promoter.

Libby R. Short moved to Pasadena, Calif., in November and works for Autism Behavior Intervention as a behavior therapist with autistic children. She also tutors low income children in math and reading for No Child Left Behind.

Ollievia Patterson Sigsbee and John Sigsbee, Milford, Ind., celebrated the birth of Kataie Rayne on Aug. 30, 2009. She joins Luchas, 9, Alyssah, 5, Eric, 3, and Thomas, 2.

Jesse S. Smith and **Anne Penner**, Indianapolis, Ind., were married on June 20, 2009. Anne is in her last year of medical school at Indiana University School of Medicine.

Marcos A. Stoltzfus and **Jessica Roth**, Denver, Colo., were married on June 20, 2009.

Micah A. Thieszen and Angie Thieszen, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Quinn Aaron on Nov. 5, 2009. He joins Lily, 3 1/2, and Tobias, 2. Micah works as a registered nurse in the infusion room of Goshen Center for Cancer Care.

Wardhani 'Ani' Tirtianto, Peoria, Ill., and Andrew Wallach, Syracuse, Ind., were married May 23, 2009.

Kristin E. Walker moved to Chicago, Ill., in August 2009, and is teaching elementary special education in Chicago Public Schools.

James M. Whittaker, Elkhart, Ind., teaches sixth grade social studies at Goshen Middle School.

DEATH

Darcy G. Johnson, husband of **Cindy Corpe Johnson**, 30261 North Shore Drive, Elkhart, IN 46514, died Sept. 6, 2009.

NEWS 2007

Michael A. Amos, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, is veterinary account manager at Hills' Pet Nutrition Canada Inc.

Bethany L. Bauman Baker and **Gabriel Bauman Baker '08** are serving as Service Adventure leaders in Albuquerque, N.M., from fall 2009 through spring 2011.

Eric B. Bixler, Cleveland, Ohio, completed the prestigious 2009 Summer Indiana Secretary of State Internship Program, which selects college and university students from around the state and allows the opportunity to experience state government first hand through the Secretary of State's office. Eric is currently seeking his law degree at Case Western Reserve University.

Jean L. Boen, Wooster, Ohio, owns Juxtapose Designs, a retail consulting firm specializing in branding, store layout and sales floor evaluation. They also offer wedding and corporate event planning services.

Jared Coblentz and Emily Schrock, Sugarcreek, Ohio, were married Sept. 12, 2009.

Kristine E. Davis, Warsaw, Ind., works as a registered nurse on the progressive care unit at Goshen General Hospital.

Rachel E. Derstine, Washington, D.C., is a research assistant at Woods and Poole Economics, Inc.

Nathan J. Detweiler and Karla Stoltzfus, Coralville, Iowa, were married Aug. 15, 2009. Nathan began a master of social work degree program in the fall at the University of Iowa.

Nate C. Gautsche and Stacey Hein, Evanston, Ill., were married Sept. 26, 2009.

Laura Herr Gillette and **Jake Gillette '08**, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Natalie Marie on July 7, 2009.

Garrett R. Gingerich, Mishawaka, Ind., was promoted to marketing director for the South Bend, Mishawaka, Goshen, Elkhart, Michigan City, LaPorte and Warsaw, Ind., offices of CB Richard Ellis, the global leader in commercial real estate services.

Jesse A. Johnson, Minneapolis, Minn., is teaching English at Connexus Language Institute, which is affiliated with the Korean Anabaptist Center in Seoul, South Korea. Jesse began the one-year assignment through Mennonite Mission Network in August 2009.

Kristen E. Luginbuhl, Portland, Ore., is a registered nurse at Providence Child Center.

Liz A. Martin, Wakarusa, Ind., teaches keyboarding at Goshen Middle School.

Nicole C. Nelson, Mishawaka, Ind., works as a special education paraprofessional at Elkhart Central High School.

Diana E. Perez, Cassopolis, Mich., began a two-year physician's assistant program at Chatham University in Pittsburgh in fall 2009.

Erin C. Shields, Chicago, Ind., works at Building Block Toys in both the Lakeview and Wicker Park neighborhoods in Chicago. She also works as a free-lance writer and designer and is an active member of Chicago's social media and blogging community.

Rachel E. Slentz, Goshen, works at the Elkhart County Health Department as a WIC CPA/nurse.

Emily R. Stuckey and **James Weber '08**, Denver, Colo., were married on Aug. 8, 2009. Emily is an educator at the Butterfly Pavilion, teaching classes and coordinating summer camps and other programs. James is an editor at Idea Spring Editing, a video editing/post-production.

Matthew G. Tschetter, Elkhart, Ind., is in his final year of graduate school at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind., pursuing an M.A. degree in peace studies and community and international development. He works part time as operations steward for Hope Builders and is also working on developing a local not-for-profit organic vegetable farm with others in Elkhart. He also serves on the MCC Great Lakes board and the MCC US board.

Travis L. Weaver, Anchorage, Alaska, works as a flight instructor at Land and Sea Aviation.

Ben L. Yoder, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and **Anita Hooley**, Canton, Ohio, were married Aug. 15, 2009. Ben works as a design engineer for GE Lighting and Anita works as a field manager for Ohio Citizen Action, an environmental nonprofit organization.

Kyle M. Yoder, Athens, Ohio, is a first-year medical student at Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine. **Susana Kline Yoder** is pursuing a master's degree in special education from Ohio University. She is also involved with Athens County Children Services as a guardian ad litem and serves as a court appointed advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children.

Benjamin S. Yoder, Washington, D.C., works as senior .NET consultant for Tycotic Software.

Brian A. Yoder-Schlabach, Denver, Colo., is working at Downtown Aurora Visual Arts, an arts education nonprofit that focuses on bringing the arts to inner-city youth. He facilitates an after-school visual arts program, as well as building DAVA's marketing and social media presence in the city.

Amanda K. Zehr and Eric L. Hostetler, Shipshewana, Ind., were married June 20, 2009. Amanda teaches first grade at Shipshewana-Scott Elementary School.

NEWS 2008

Nicole O. Bauman, Shakespeare, Ontario, Canada, began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August 2009 in Elkhart, Ind. She works half time as a neighborhood food coordinator with Good Earth Farm of Michiana and Elkhart Local Food Alliance and half time as a doula at Maple City Health Care Center in Goshen.

Isaac A. Beachy, Harrisonburg, Va., began serving in January 2009 as a volunteer "accompanier" in San Jose de Apartado, Colombia, as a member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, a nonprofit interfaith alliance founded in 1914 to promote global peace. During his two-year assignment, his role will involve getting to know locals and, when necessary, escorting them around town as a way of passively protecting them from harm.

Samantha N. Beauchamp, Holt, Mich., works as a forensic scientist for the Michigan State Police.

Charles E. Bontrager, Mishawaka, Ind., began a one-year assignment in June 2009 with Mennonite Voluntary Service in Washington, D.C., as a policy advocate with National Coalition for the Homeless.

Benjamin J. Davies and Karah Davies, Denver, Colo., celebrated the birth of Ellis James on Sept. 14, 2009.

Neil D. Detweiler, Goshen, and **Rachel Versluis '09**, Ann Arbor, Mich., were married June 27, 2009. They reside in Little Rock, Ark., where Neil is a student at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences majoring in pharmacology. Rachel works as a technician, also at the University of Arkanasas.

Jacob B. Gillette, Goshen, won the Wild Life Marathon at Falling Waters Trail in Jackson, Mich., on Oct. 11, 2009.

Katrina L. Gregg and Clarence Gregg, Edwardsburg, Mich., celebrated the birth of Aaron Kinuwan Gregg on Oct. 24, 2009. He joins Brandon, 16, and Savannah, 4.

Sara E. Groff, Washington, D.C., works as a registered nurse on the Endocrine Unit at The Washington Hospital Center.

Lauren R. Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa., works as a registered nurse at the Children's Hospital.

Fjaere M. Harder works as a nanny for a family in Marblehead, Mass. She has sung in several musicals.

Mark A. Histand, Corvallis, Ore., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in September in St. Louis, Mo., as a construction assistant with Habitat for Humanity St. Louis.

Justin M. Hochstetler and **Abri A. Houser '09**, Indianapolis, Ind., were married Aug. 1, 2009. Justin works at Ernst & Young as an auditor. Abri is a public relations specialist with Girls Incorporated of Indianapolis.

Reuben D. Houser is teaching high school social studies and physical education at Academia Los Pinares in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, this year.

Simon N. Kaitei and Sitatian Kaelo, Goshen, were married on Aug. 8, 2009. Simon is a nurse at Greencroft Health Center.

Derek A. Koch, Colorado Springs, Colo., began a two-year assignment with Mennonite Central Committee in Abbotsford, B.C., Canada, in July 2009 as assistant truck driver/shipping and receiving for the MCC BC Furniture and More store.

Peter R. Koontz, Goshen, a special education instructional assistant at Chandler Elementary School, also works part time at Rachel's Bread.

Hope E. Langeland, Grand Rapids, Mich., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Chicago, Ill., as a case manager with Erie Neighborhood House.

Zorina N. Laughlin and Dan Laughlin, Goshen, celebrated the birth of Breona on June 4, 2009.

Fern R. Lehman and **Shafkat Khan**, Athens, Ga., are both pursuing a master's degree in ecology at the University of Georgia Odum School of Ecology in Athens. They are also both graduate lab assistants.

Lucy C. Roth and **Micah W. Loucks '09**, Goshen, were married July 18, 2009. They attended Brethren Voluntary Service orientation in January 2010 and leave for two years in Northern Ireland mid-March, most likely living and working in a L'Arche community.

Jonathan W. Mast, Berlin, Ohio, and **Hannah Kauffman Jantzi**, Lancaster, Pa., were married June 6, 2009. Jonathan is team leader at Tractor Supply Company, and Hannah works as an assistant baker at Wendy Jo's Homemade.

Hilary A. Mayhew works as a full-time staff interpreter for an American Sign Language/English interpreting agency in Washington, D.C.

Carolyn M. Mosier, Dowagiac, Mich., is a registered nurse and works as house supervisor on the Special Care Unit at Borgess Lee Memorial.

Molly J. Moyer, San Diego, Calif., is an assistant site supervisor with a before and after school program for the YMCA.

Lindsay S. Rheinheimer, Goshen, teaches first grade at Chamberlain Elementary School.

Natalie J. Schmucker, Holland, Ohio, began a one-year assignment in August with the Mennonite Central Committee SALT program. She works as an education assistant with the Centro Educativo La Buena Tierra in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico.

Laura C. Sharp, Hesston, Kan., works full time as a case manager for COMCARE, a county mental health organization that offers mental health and addiction treatment services. In May she began a two-year part-time master's program at Wichita State University and can use her job as her practicum.

Timothy C. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va., and **Krista Ehst**, Bally, Pa., were married Aug. 16, 2009. They reside in Decatur, Ga., where Tim is currently working part time as a nanny. Krista is a student in the master of divinity program at Candler School of Theology in Atlanta.

Mark A. Springer and **Yaneth Hernandez '11**, Goshen, were married May 30, 2009. Mark is co-owner and the art manager of Springer Designs Inc.

Tyler W. Springer and Sara Warner, Goshen, were married July 31, 2009. Tyler continues in sales as co-owner of Springer Designs Inc.

Angela Taylor, Colorado Springs, Colo., is an American Sign Language interpreter and does free-lance interpreting in the Colorado Springs area.

Sara K. Thögersen, Berlin, Germany, is working with the Studienforum Berlin, a study-abroad organization for American students, as the student coordinator. She is planning to start her master's degree at the University of the Arts next year.

Megan E. Vendrely, New Paris, Ind., finished a one-year voluntary service assignment at the International Guest House in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 5 and

PHOTO PROVIDED

Crossing cultures
from Texas to the Marshall Islands

Christian A. Lehman '96 has a busy life. Besides being married and having a young son, he is a residence director and career counselor at LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. Lehman, who majored in interdisciplinary studies at GC and has a master's degree in cultural anthropology from Indiana University, teaches anthropology as an adjunct professor. And in November, Lehman became LeTourneau's first director of sustainability.

What he did last summer, however, may have been a bigger challenge: He returned to his native Marshall Islands to be part of a Conclave of Land Owners – a once-per-generation meeting called by the Paramount Chief. About 150 traditional landowners were summoned by the chief to present a complete accounting of all landholdings, tenants and activities as well as their family genealogies and oral histories – in Marshallese.

His maternal grandfather, Atlan Anien '59, helped write the Marshall Islands constitution and was speaker of the House of Assembly. His parents, Joe Lehman '71 and Anna Anien Lehman '74, raised Christian in the Marshall Islands, Ohio, Goshen and Hawaii, so he's used to moving between different cultures. Still, Lehman said preparing for and attending the conclave was extraordinary. "What really strikes me when I'm back in the Marshalls is that people have been living there for 2,000 years sustainably when so many people in the world have trouble doing so. And there are still people living in ways that are appropriate for the culture."

– By Richard R. Aguirre

began working as an ESL paraprofessional at Wawasee High School in Syracuse, Ind., on Sept. 8, 2009.

Melissa A. Weaver-Yoder, Elkhart, Ind., works as a case manager for REAL Services Inc. in South Bend, Ind.

Kelli L. Yoder, Denver, Colo., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Americus, Ga., as a writer and journalist with the Fuller Center for Housing.

Matthew J. Yoder, Lancaster, Pa., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Seattle, Wash., as a project associate, mainly building Web sites, with Groundwire, a consulting group that provides online tools and strategies to help environmental nonprofits connect with people to build a more sustainable world.

Matthew S. Yoder, Indianapolis, Ind., is a first-year medical student at Indiana University School of Medicine.

Nathan P. Yoder, Salem, Ore., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August 2009 in Chicago, Ill., as a middle school librarian with San Miguel School.

NEWS 2009

Lydette S. Assefa, Indianapolis, Ind., began a one-year service assignment with Mennonite Central Committee's SALT program in Ethiopia as an English as a foreign language teacher in August 2009.

Jonathon Casselberry-Scott, Marcellus, Mich., is working at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, until late February 2010 as a janitor; he is also on the emergency response triage unit as a registered nurse.

Amy M. Clem, Goshen, works as an intervention paraprofessional at New Paris Elementary School.

Grace M. Eidmann, Elkhart, Ind., works as a caregiver in Elkhart and also as a women's advocate at the Elkhart County Women's Shelter.

Tyler J. Falk, Champaign, Ill., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August 2009 in Seattle, Wash., as a editorial assistant with *Grist*.

Chet E. Franklin, Antwerp, Ohio, began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August 2009 in Seattle, Wash., as an advocacy coordinator with Lifelong AIDS Alliance.

Becca K. Friesen, Chicago, Ill., is a research technologist at Northwestern University.

Analisa Gerig-Sickles, West Branch, Iowa, is employed as a second grade teacher at Roosevelt Elementary in Iowa City Community School District.

Sheldon C. Good, Telford, Pa., worked as a communication associate for Franconia Mennonite Conference in the summer. On Sept. 1, he began a one-year internship in media relations with Sojourners organization in Washington, D.C.

Nathan J. Grieser, Goshen, and **Kate Derstine**, Blooming Glen, Pa., were married Oct. 3, 2009. They reside in Lancaster, Pa., where Nathan is a youth pastor at Sunnyside Mennonite Church, and Kate is an insurance underwriter for Eastern Alliance Insurance Co.

Matthew Y. Harms, Ephrata, Pa., began a three-year assignment in September 2009 with Mennonite Central Committee in Bosnia-Herzegovina. After two months of language study in Sarajevo, Matt works in Sanki Most, a town in northwestern Bosnia, with Centre for Peacebuilding (CIM), a local peace-building organization that does conflict resolution and reconciliation work among Croats, Bosniaks and Serbs. For the month prior to leaving for Bosnia, Matt biked approximately 2,300 miles with **Ben Jacobs** from Goshen to Salt Lake City.

Christina M. Histand, Goshen, began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August 2009 in Kansas City, Kan., as a volunteer with the Migrant Farmworker's Project.

Ben M. Jacobs, Goshen, began a Mennonite Voluntary Service assignment in Fresno, Calif., in September 2009 as development assistant and resident advocate at Central California Mennonite Residential Services, a community for adults with developmental disabilities. From Aug. 10 to Sept. 10, Ben and **Matt Harms** biked from Goshen to Salt Lake City, Utah, and then because of time constraints completed their trip to Fresno by train.

Janell C. Koch and Stephen A. Cripe, Goshen, were wed Oct. 18, 2008. Janell works at Gordy's Restaurant as a cook/waitress/cashier and also for her family business, Koch House of Design.

Morgan E. Kraybill, Pittsburgh, Pa., is a case manager at the East End Cooperative Ministry through the PULSE (Pittsburgh Urban Leadership Service Experience) program, a one-year voluntary service program.

Alexander P. Lake, New Holland, Pa., began an 11-month volunteer assignment in September 2009 with the PULSE (Pittsburgh Urban Leadership Service Experience) program at the Union Project in Pittsburgh as systems and technology coordinator.

Jesse M. Landis-Eigsti, Goshen, works as a caregiver/team leader at MDC Goldenrod, Goshen.

Melissa J. MacGregor, Glen Ellyn, Ill., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service/AmeriCorps in August in Harlingen, Texas, as a paralegal with ProBAR, which is a joint project of the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas and the American Immigration Lawyers Association, primarily working with asylum seekers.

Ben I. Martin, Wakarusa, Ind., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Madison, Wis., as a community builder with Options Madison.

Michael L. Martin, Middlebury, Ind., and **Leslee Smucker**, Goshen, were married May 24, 2009.

Daniel G. Merkt Blatz, San Antonio, Texas, began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Tucson, Ariz., as a home repair worker with Community Home Repair Program of Arizona.

Peter N. Miller, Evanston, Ill., and **Leah Roth**, Goshen, were married on July 5, 2009. The Millers live in Salem, Ore., where Leah works as a registered nurse on the oncology/renal unit at Salem Hospital.

Aaron N. Nafziger and Kendra Ellington, Goshen, were married July 18, 2009. Aaron is a counselor for Mennonite Mutual Aid, Goshen.

Emil Iehle Ott, Gahanna, Ohio, works at Hallenross and Associates, LLC, as a staff American Sign Language interpreter and also at Sorenson Communications as a video interpreter.

Luke D. Penner, Indianapolis, Ind., began a one-year service assignment with Mennonite Central Committee's SALT program in Guatemala as an English and library assistant.

Rob J. Puster, Elkhart, Ind., began the M.B.A. degree program at Bethel College, Mishawaka, Ind., in October 2009.

Mikki G. Saltzman and Mark Bowman, Goshen, were married June 6, 2009. Mikki works at New Paris Elementary School as an intervention paraprofessional, working one-on-one and with small groups of children who struggle in reading and math.

Jesse A. Shaver, Seattle, Wash., began an assignment in August with Jesuit Volunteer Corp at the San Francisco Network Mission.

Ben J. Shenk, Goshen, began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in La Jara, Colo., as a program assistant with Habitat for Humanity.

Amy L. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va., began a one-year assignment with Mennonite Voluntary Service on Aug. 31. She works as a home repair worker with Community Home Repair Program of Arizona (CHRPA).

Angela J. Stauffer, Burlington, Iowa, and Jared Widmer, Washington, Iowa, were married June 27, 2009.

Emily R. Swora, Pittsburgh, Pa., works as operations and development coordinator at the Kelly-Strayhorn Theater in East Liberty in Pittsburgh. Her position is part of the PULSE (Pittsburgh Urban Leadership Service Experience) program.

Seth K. Unruh, Wayland, Iowa, is volunteering with the Mennonite Central Committee SALT program in Indonesia this year as the earthquake response office bookkeeper on the Island of Sumatra helping with the Sept. 30 earthquake relief. He also had an article published "Envy-Free Divisions" in the *Rose-Hulman Undergraduate Math Journal* (Vol. 10, Issue 2, 2009).

Hillary Watson, Seattle, Wash., began a one-year term of Mennonite Voluntary Service in August in Seattle as an Education Success Program coordinator with Treehouse.

Isaac L. Witmer, Lancaster, Pa., began a one-year assignment with the SALT program in Kenya in August 2009, doing computer work with "peace club schools," which are boarding schools for teen-agers and younger. The main purpose is to teach the students how to be peace builders.

NEWS Faculty and staff

Joshua D. Hire (faculty '09-present) and Jennifer Hire, Millersburg, Ind., celebrated the birth of Lucy Ellen on Oct. 10, 2009. Josh is the golf coach for Goshen College.

William A. Jones (faculty '06-09) and Amy Jones, Bristol, Tenn., celebrated the birth of Aidan Liam Andrew on June 4, 2009. He joins Annalise, 7, Thomas, 6, Grace, 6, Drew, 4, and Hope, 2.

Alumni news notes have been edited for length. Go to mygc.goshen.edu/alumni/Alumni_Online/Alumni_News_Notes to read the full-text of news about alumni.

ADULT EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

BULLETIN online Visit www.goshen.edu/bulletin for group photos of recent trips.

THE CANADIAN ROCKIES
May 28-June 6, 2010
cancelled

THE BEST OF TURKEY TOUR
Sept. 16-Oct. 2, 2010
This 14-day tour to Turkey includes the cultural and spiritual heart, Istanbul, ancient Troy and Pergamum and the incomparable Ephesus. A several-day cruise along the legendary Turquoise Coast is followed by visits to Cappadocia and Ankara. Hosted by Janette Yoder with Educational Tours and Cruises Mediterranean Director.
Cost: $3,195 without air. Trip is full – taking waiting list.

SPAIN AND PORTUGAL SOJOURN
May 25-June 8, 2011*
This 15-day tour begins in Lisbon with a day trip to picturesque Sintra and continues to Evora, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Crossing into Spain, we visit Sevilla, a city of beauty and romance; Granada, set in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada; Cordoba, capital of Roman Spain; Toledo, capital of medieval Spain; and Madrid, the monumental and modern capital. A post-tour extension to Barcelona is offered. Led by Associate Professor of Spanish Dean Rhodes and hosted by Janette Yoder.
Cost to be announced. Call for details.

SCANDINAVIAN ODYSSEY
August/September 2011*
This 17-day tour covers sightseeing in the cosmopolitan capitals of Copenhagen, Stockholm and Oslo with a wonderful journey through Norway's magnificent fjord country. We encounter Scandinavia at its best, both on and off the beaten path. A Helsinki extension is offered. Taking an "interested list."

LOOKING AHEAD
EGYPT AND THE NILE
A 15-day tour that covers vibrant Cairo, the Great Pyramids and Alexandria with cruises on Lake Nasser on the upper Nile and a voyage along the lower Nile from Aswan to Luxor. Taking an "interested list."

PEARLS OF DALMATIA
A 15-day tour that includes travels in Croatia from the capital city of Zagreb to the "pearl of the Adriatic" Dubrovnik, from the lovely island of Hvar and Split to seaside Opatija. The tour ends in Slovenia with a visit to historic Ljubljana. Taking an "interested list."

MOROCCAN DISCOVERY
A 14-day tour that visits a land of dramatic contrasts from the imperial cities of Rabat, Meknes, Fez and Marrakech to the sacred town of Noulay Idress, to the ancient ruins of Volubilis, to the Atlas Mountains and vast Sahara. Taking an "interested list."

*Dates may vary slightly

REGISTER Be the first to receive word when trips are open for registration. If one of the trips interests you, call (574) 535-7565. When the trip is finalized, those on the list will have first chance to register before the trip is open to the public.

MAKING PEACE WITH THEATER

A couple finds a basket on their doorstep and lovingly adopts the "baby" – a machine gun. A journalist investigates a car bomb explosion on a crowded campus, and discovers how easily people turn from peaceful relationships to suspecting each other. A woman searching for peace in the aftermath of 9/11 finds that her e-mail inbox still holds messages from a friend who died in the attacks.

How would you tell a story about peace in a one-act play? That is the challenge issued by the Goshen College Theater Department to playwrights across the nation. The Peace Play contest is the only playwriting contest that focuses solely on peace, believes Professor of Theater Doug Liechty Caskey. The contest guidelines purposely leave the interpretation of "peace" very broad, resulting in a rainbow of ideas and approaches to the subject.

Established in 1982 with a gift from an anonymous donor, the biennial contest is listed in several directories for playwrights and receives submissions from all over the world. The playwrights who submit their works are rarely connected to Goshen College or Mennonites. Caskey said he has come to see the diversity of response as one of the contest's greatest strengths. "To bring these new voices in and for them to be in a talk-back with the audience – actually, there is something very vital about that. That's something to celebrate," he said. The only GC alumnus winner to date is Eric Meyer '05, whose play, "In a Time of War," took second place in 2004.

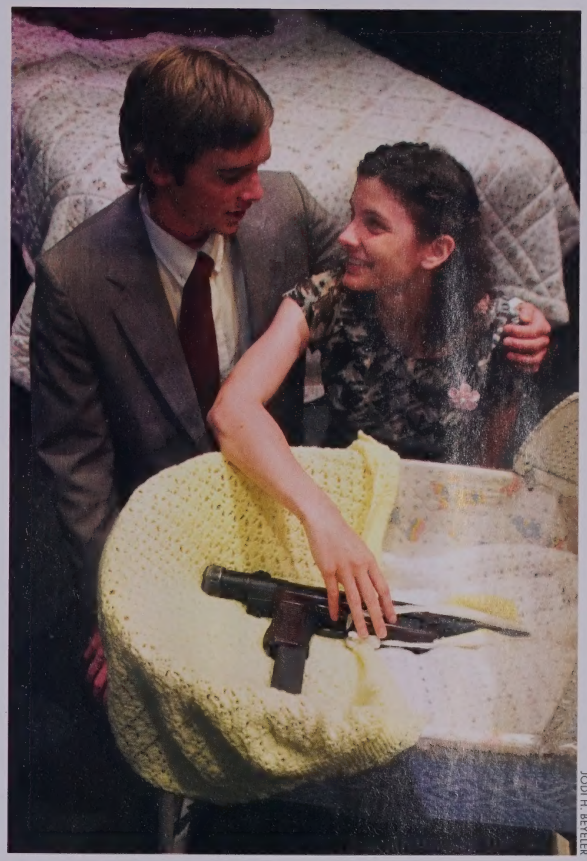
Typically, 70 to 80 submissions of new, unproduced one-act plays arrive on Caskey's desk up until the due date of Dec. 31 in odd-numbered years. The selection panel, made up of GC faculty members, will read the 2009 submissions over the next six months and notify the first- and second-place winners by early summer. "We get into great discussions and debates about who should be on the short list," said Caskey. The Theater Department will stage the winning and the second-place plays during Homecoming Weekend in October 2010.

The first-place winner receives a $500 prize and is brought to campus for the world premier production of his or her play, which will be designed, produced and acted by Goshen College students. Students interact with the artist in a workshop led by the playwright and join community members in a question-and-answer session after the play.

Last year's winner, Barbara Lindsay of Seattle, Wash., and second-place winner Hillary Rollins of Santa Monica, Calif., are both award-winning professional writers with impressive lists of credits. The two playwrights met for the first time in Goshen and hit it off from the start. Like most Peace Play winners, they were thrilled to see their plays performed. At this college founded by a historic peace church, they found a receptive audience, said Caskey, and "real interaction."

Although the funding source for the Peace Plays has now run dry (see sidebar), the college is determined to continue the contest. "When I think of the Goshen College core values," said Caskey, "it just hits the nail on the head."

– By Judy Weaver '81



JODI H. BEYELER

The 2006 Goshen College Peace Play Contest winner was "Baby Boom" by Lia Romeo, performed by students (left to right) Derek Koch '08 and Tara Hershberger '08, which was about a couple adopting a machine gun as their baby.

THE PEACE PLAY CONTEST, says Professor of Theater Doug Liechty Caskey, "has taken on a life of its own." Created through a generous donor gift in 1982, the one-of-a-kind contest is now out of funds. But don't tell that to playwrights around the country, who continue to send in new plays. The contest gives GC a presence on the national creative scene and provides students with unique learning opportunities. "The contest keeps rolling and we have to find a way to make it viable," says Caskey. If you would like to help, contact the GC Development Office at (574) 535-7558 or (800) 348-7422 or online at **www.goshen.edu/give**.

2010 SPRING CAMPUS E

ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND FREE UNLESS INDICATED. CALL (574) 535-7566 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO ORDER TICKETS.
FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF GOSHEN COLLEGE EVENTS, VISIT US ON THE WEB AT WWW.GOSHEN.EDU AND CLICK ON "CALENDAR."

February

Through March 24 — **Exhibit: Ben Reed, installation, and Sue Hershberger Yoder, printmaking,** Hershberger Art Gallery.

Feb. 28 — **Men's Chorus Spring Break home concert,** 7:30 p.m., College Mennonite Church.

March

March 5 — **Performing Arts Series: The Chieftains,** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $55, $45, $40

March 9 — **Afternoon Sabbatical – Making Cents of Energy: Glenn Gilbert and Gordon Moore,** 1 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall

March 13 — **International Student Club Coffeehouse,** 5 p.m., Church-Chapel Fellowship Hall/Sauder Concert Hall. $17, $11, $10, $6

March 19-21 — **Religion & Science Conference with Philip Clayton, professor of religion and philosophy at Claremont Graduate University and Ingraham Professor at Claremont School of Theology,** Church-Chapel. ($, register by calling 574-535-7305)

March 19 — **Michiana Monologues,** 7 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $10

March 19, 20, 26, 27 — **Spring mainstage play: "Tartuffe" written by Moliere,** 8 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

March 21, 28 — **Spring mainstage play: "Tartuffe" written by Moliere,** 3 p.m., Umble Center. $8, $5

March 21 — **Bach's 325th Birthday Organ Recital,** 5 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5

March 23 — **Faculty Recital Series: Mendelssohn Chamber Music,** 7:30 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5

March 26 — **Lavender Jazz Spring Concert,** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $7, $5

March 27 — **Faculty Recital Series: Sole Nero, piano-percussion duo,** 7:30 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall. $7, $5

March 27 — **Lecture: "Soil, Not Oil: Food Security in Times of Climate Change," Vandana Shiva,** 7 p.m., Church-Chapel. Advance $10, $5; at door $12, $7.

March 28-April 7 — **Senior Art Exhibition I,** Hershberger Art Gallery. Reception March 28, 2-4 p.m.

March 28-Aug. 15 — **Exhibit: "Grandmother's Flower Garden: Floral Design in Mennonite and Amish Quilts,"** Good Library Gallery. Exhibit reception: Sunday, March 28, 2-4 p.m.

March 30 — **Performing Arts Series: African Children's Choir,** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $35, $30, $15

VENTS

April

April 9	**Voices-n-Harmony Spring Concert,** 7:30 p.m., Umble Center. $7, $5
April 10	**GC Choirs: Earthtones Concert,** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $7, $5
April 11-21	**Senior Art Exhibition II,** Hershberger Art Gallery. Reception April 11, 2-4 p.m.
April 13	**Afternoon Sabbatical - International meal featuring Provence, France,** noon, Church-Chapel and Fellowship Hall. $20 (call 574-535-7565 to register)
April 16	**Orchestra Spring Concert,** 7:30 p.m., Sauder Concert Hall. $7, $5
April 18	**Community Hymn Sing "Audience Selections,"** 4 p.m., Rieth Recital Hall.
April 23-25	**Senior Art Graduation Exhibit,** Hershberger Art Gallery. Reception April 24, 2-4 p.m.
April 24	**Nurses' Pinning,** 1:30 p.m., Church-Chapel.
April 25	**Baccalaureate,** 11 a.m., Church-Chapel.
April 25	**Commencement,** 3 p.m., Gingerich Recreation-Fitness Center.

May

May 2-18	**Juried Student Show,** Hershberger Art Gallery. Reception May 2, 2-4 p.m.
May 16-18	**May Term Musical:** TBA, 7:30 p.m., Umble Center. $TBA

▷ FOR A SCHEDULE OF SENIOR MUSIC AND THEATER RECITALS, GO ONLINE: WWW.GOSHEN.EDU AND CLICK ON "EVENT CALENDAR."

1970 MAPLE LEAF YEARBOOK

'IN THE NAME OF PEACE WE CAME TOGETHER'

In the fall of 1969, few in the GC community were immune to the struggle of deciding if, where or how to work for peace.

On the evening of Nov. 13, 1969, up to 100 GC students boarded vehicles at the Union Building's south portico to head for Washington, D.C. There, the students joined a throng of perhaps a half-million other people mourning the loss of life and calling for an end to U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War. Camping in area churches, some GC students headed out in the chilly fall drizzle to join a somber four-mile procession with flickering candles. J. Devon Leu '70 carried the name of a Hoosier Marine killed in Vietnam two years earlier, depositing it in a symbolic row of caskets near the White House. Anne Burkholder '72 found "gentle seriousness" and "emotional unity" among the marchers, but worried whether the march would serve to polarize rather than prompt change. This concern was not unlike that which Jon Lind '71, who coordinated transportation for those traveling to D.C., thought had caused GC professors to refrain from overt support for the march.

Professors of Religion J.R. Burkholder '52 and C. Norman Kraus '46 had worked together with students Steve Ainlay '73, Matt Lind '72 and Don Yost '72, to plan an action-study day on campus for the Oct. 15 national moratorium. That day's discussions with a church volunteer and a GI who had served in Vietnam, letter-writing, films and a silent memorial brought out fears in the town of Goshen of a "rabble-rousing, out-for-kicks demonstration."

In response, 200 students who did not make the trip to the nation's capital volunteered to clean alleys, rake leaves and wash windows for Goshen city residents. By so doing, they hoped to show support for those who did go, offer a service in love to persons in the Goshen community and continue the effort "to open avenues of … understanding between the community and Goshen College."

– Joe Springer
Curator, Mennonite Historical Library

(Above) A procession of peace signs and caskets were part of the moratorium march on Washington, D.C., which called for an end to the Vietnam War on Nov. 15, 1969.

BULLETIN online **Read an article about a recent GC conference on draft resistance and the Mennonite peace witness over the years at www.goshen.edu/bulletin.**

EMILY MILLER '11

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

AND THE EARTH

On Sept. 23, classes were cancelled and students, faculty and staff volunteered a day of work in the Michiana community at such organizations as Goshen Parks and Recreation (above) as part of the 11th annual Celebrate Service Day. Then on Oct. 24, students and community members participated in 350.org's International Day of Climate Change by walking with banners, signs and enthusiasm to the Elkhart County Courthouse in downtown Goshen (below), where they gathered for music, speakers and signing petitions. Learn more at **blog.goshen.edu/gogreen**.

DAVID ZWIER '12

GOSHEN COLLEGE
HEALING THE WORLD PEACE BY PEACE

1700 South Main Street
Goshen, Indiana 46526

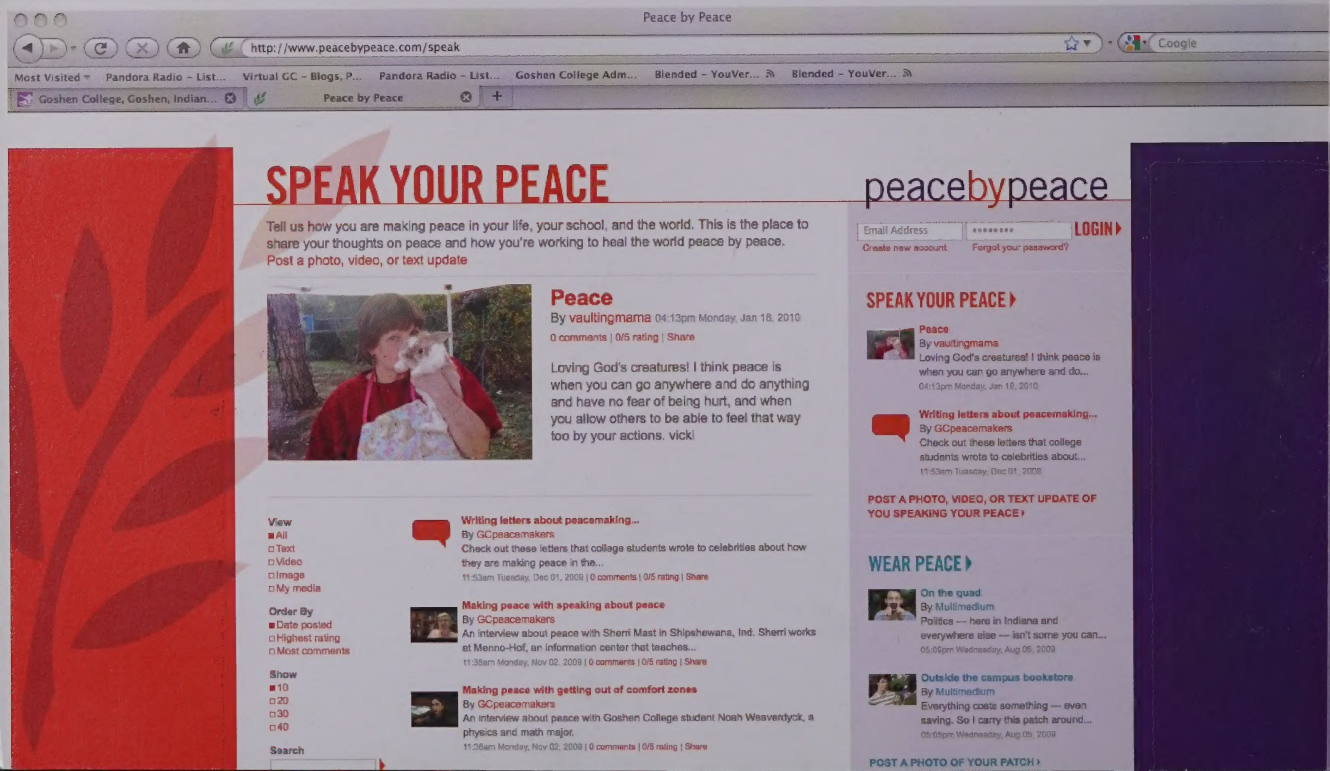
BECAUSE WE ARE CHRIST-CENTERED.
THROUGH SERVANT-LEADERSHIP.
AS GLOBAL CITIZENS.
IN OUR PASSION FOR LEARNING.
WE STRIVE TO MAKE PEACE IN ALL ITS FORMS.

JANET SHOEMAKER
1309 WILSON AVE
GOSHEN IN 46526

HELP US HEAL THE WORLD

Goshen College has developed this new Web page (**www.peacebypeace.com**) to advance our efforts to create a better world by spreading the message of peace. We invite you to visit the page and join the conversation!

— President Jim Brenneman


Peace by Peace
http://www.peacebypeace.com/speak
Most Visited
Pandora Radio - List...
Virtual GC - Blogs, P...
Pandora Radio - List...
Goshen College Adm...
Blended - YouVer...
Blended - YouVer...
Goshen College, Goshen, Indian...
Peace by Peace
SPEAK YOUR PEACE
Tell us how you are making peace in your life, your school, and the world. This is the place to share your thoughts on peace and how you're working to heal the world peace by peace.
Post a photo, video, or text update
Peace
By vaultingmama 04:13pm Monday, Jan 18, 2010
0 comments | 0/5 rating | Share
Loving God's creatures! I think peace is when you can go anywhere and do anything and have no fear of being hurt, and when you allow others to be able to feel that way too by your actions. vicki
View
All
Text
Video
Image
My media
Order By
Date posted
Highest rating
Most comments
Show
10
20
30
40
Search
Writing letters about peacemaking...
By GCpeacemakers
Check out these letters that college students wrote to celebrities about how they are making peace in the...
11:53am Tuesday, Dec 01, 2009 | 0 comments | 0/5 rating | Share
Making peace with speaking about peace
By GCpeacemakers
An interview about peace with Sherri Mast in Shipshewana, Ind. Sherri works at Menno-Hof, an information center that teaches...
11:38am Monday, Nov 02, 2009 | 0 comments | 0/5 rating | Share
Making peace with getting out of comfort zones
By GCpeacemakers
An interview about peace with Goshen College student Noah Weaverdyck, a physics and math major.
11:36am Monday, Nov 02, 2009 | 0 comments | 0/5 rating | Share
peacebypeace
Email Address
LOGIN
Create new account
Forgot your password?
SPEAK YOUR PEACE
Peace
By vaultingmama
Loving God's creatures! I think peace is when you can go anywhere and do...
04:13pm Monday, Jan 18, 2010
Writing letters about peacemaking...
By GCpeacemakers
Check out these letters that college students wrote to celebrities about...
11:53am Tuesday, Dec 01, 2009
POST A PHOTO, VIDEO, OR TEXT UPDATE OF YOU SPEAKING YOUR PEACE
WEAR PEACE
On the quad
By Multimedium
Politics — here in Indiana and everywhere else — isn't some you can...
05:05pm Wednesday, Aug 05, 2009
Outside the campus bookstore
By Multimedium
Everything costs something — even saving. So I carry this patch around...
05:05pm Wednesday, Aug 05, 2009
POST A PHOTO OF YOUR PATCH